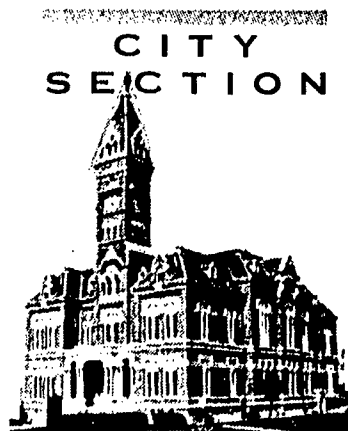


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## Council tunes into cable consultants

*Firms to help research local television options*

### Concerns pour into 'Ville over stormwater drainage

*Natural occurrence sparks City Council to draft ordinance*

ROB J. BROWN  
CHIEF REPORTER

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LONELLE R. RATHJE  
CITY NEWS EDITOR

Council members flipped a channel closer to alleviating future static with Classic Cable at the Maryville City Council meeting Monday.

The Council approved an ordinance authorizing contracts with two cable television consulting firms.

City Manager David Angerer told the City Council he and Councilman George English attended a cable television seminar this month in Columbia, where they learned about the 1996 Telecommunications Act, how it can affect Maryville and also how to tackle the enhancement of the city's own cable system.

At the seminar, Angerer said he and English met a Minneapolis law firm, Fredrikson and Byron, which has dealt with Classic Cable. The firm was not impressed with the company's commitment to small communities.

Angerer said the city should be



careful about accepting the results of an upcoming Classic Cable customer survey. He said

the company's survey may likely conclude Maryville is pleased with its cable service. He stressed the city must survey Maryville subscribers itself.

Provided the city does not enter into litigation with Classic Cable, Angerer said the consultation fee with Fredrikson and Byron will not exceed \$30,000.

He said Fredrikson and Byron also recommended hiring a consultation firm that is versed on the technical side of cable television, such as Charles Gramlich and Associates of Austin, Texas. Angerer negotiated with this firm and reached a bid of \$7,500.

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Mozingo Lake

## Advisory board tackles city park hunting concern

*Landowners share worries over safety, wildlife populations*

JENNIE NELSON  
CHIEF REPORTER

Mozingo Lake may be an area rich in wildlife, but this may not stop hunting from being prohibited in the area.

Currently, the Mozingo Lake Recreational Advisory Board is looking at a proposal to make approximately 70 percent of the lake property off-limits to hunting all year, and 25 percent of the property having restricted hunting from October to January.

However, many landowners bordering the Mozingo property are not happy with this proposal.

"You'd think the city would like to get all the money from the outside that they can get," landowner Karl Wolbert said. "Hunters can bring in a lot of money for Maryville."

Wolbert thinks there are several reasons why hunting should be allowed around Mozingo, including the fact that hunting will provide additional revenue for the area.

"Hunters have to buy a license if they want to hunt for anything," he said. "Birdwatchers don't buy anything."

However, Jeff Funston, chairman of the Advisory Board, said money is one of the main reasons the land cannot be open for hunting all year.

"It becomes a management problem," he said. "We have to manage the habitat by mowing areas and keeping up wildlife strips. When you go over 1,000 acres, it is too difficult to do."

Another issue landowners are concerned about is overpopulation of wildlife.

"The wildlife is pretty thick in there now," landowner Wilson

Snively said. "They'll be complaining about deer and other animals getting on the golf course if they don't have hunting to control the wildlife population."

Wolbert also is concerned about the overpopulation of wildlife.

"Wildlife is going to run (the golf course) over," he said. "I drove around there one day, and I counted 26 deer. They won't be able to play golf because of all the animals."

One of the main reasons why hunting could be restricted is safety. However, neighboring landowners think this issue is exaggerated.

"There is nothing in the north end," Snively said. "There is no golf course, no hiking trails and no picnic areas. I don't see why they can't keep hunting there."

Wolbert also thinks safety is not a serious concern.

"If they're so concerned about safety, why is there a shooting range right around there? I think it's blown out of proportion," he said. "How many people will be out hiking during deer season? It's cold then."

However, Funston thinks the current proposal is a good compromise between hunters and non-hunters.

"My position has always been to accommodate," he said. "I think there is room for both. We're talking about 3,200 acres of land. Let's try to find room for everyone and not exclude anyone."

However, landowners in the area do not think they are being accommodated.

"We pay tax there," Snively said. "But we didn't get to vote on this. There's some mighty good hunting there."

The board will make a recommendation in the next month and will present it to City Council, who will make the final vote in a couple of months.

## Quilting pays off for local woman

*Resident uses talents to stitch her way into earning blue ribbons*

VIRGINIA PETERS  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

It may be time consuming, but for Maryville resident Betty Praisewater quilting has paid off.

Praisewater has shown her quilts at the Savannah quilts shows and at the Nodaway County Fair where she won two blue ribbons and several second place red ribbons for her quilts.

"Her work is excellent," Della Steins, a fellow quilter, said. "Her quilts are well-balanced."

Because Praisewater also works outside the home, it takes her about six months to finish each quilt. She spends at least two hours per night quilting. She has been quilting for 25 years. She began after she married and has since pieced together nearly 15 quilts.

"My mother always made quilts," Praisewater said. "After I had my two daughters, I decided to sew a quilt for

each of them."

Each quilt she pieces together contains many small even stitches. In fact, there are only six stitches to each inch. The back of each quilt has the same design sewn into it as the front of the quilt.

"Everyone quilts differently," Joanne Espey, another fellow quilter, said. "There's not a right or wrong way to do it, but you have to enjoy it or you won't want to do it."

Praisewater said it took a lot of practice to be able to sew as well as she does.

Although she learned a lot about quilting from watching her mother, she also took classes on how to quilt.

"The class I took at the Vocational Technical school gave me the confidence to quilt," she said.

Many people learning to quilt try to start out on their own, but Praisewater thinks it is not the best idea.

"It's really hard to get started by

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LAURA RIEDEL/Chief Photographer

**Honoring a lifetime of service.** Opal Eckert receives a plaque Saturday morning at the Nodaway County Historical Museum declared Opal Eckert Day. Eckert has been involved with several auxiliary pro-

grams throughout the years, has taught journalism at Maryville High School and has her own column in the *Daily Forum* called "Grassroots Reflection."

## Opal Eckert Day reels in crowd

*Maryville honors lifetime resident for years of service*

JENNIE NELSON  
CHIEF REPORTER

Maryville took a day last weekend to honor someone who has contributed a lifetime of service to the community.

The American Association of University Women honored Opal

Eckert last Saturday at the American Historical Society Museum. The mayor proclaimed the day as "Opal Eckert Day."

The day was held in conjunction with Women's History Month. Tom Carneal, associate professor of history, said.

"In my personal opinion, she has done a tremendous amount for the community," he said.

At the ceremony, Sandy Maxwell read a proclamation by the mayor declaring the day "Opal Eckert Day."

The Maryville Tree Committee also gave her a letter proclaimed its intent to plant a tree in her honor at the Historical Society.

Also honoring Eckert were various organizations she has been active in including the Historical Society, the Genealogical Society and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

But even though the day was set aside to honor her, Eckert chose to show appreciation to the event patrons as well.

Eckert donated a new display case to the Historical Society with the intent it be used to display information on women's groups throughout the year.

Carneal said the event was a tremendous success.

"We had over 300 people there on Saturday, and over 150 people came Sunday," he said. "It was a marvelous event to honor Opal and to get people out to the Historical Society to honor women's groups."

## Calendar

## Thursday, March 28

7 p.m. Public election forum covering school board and city council elections in the city council chambers in City Hall.

## Friday, March 29

The Distinguished Gentlemen will perform at Washington Middle School to celebrate the end of National Middle School month.

5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Fish fry at St. Gregory's Church Parish Hall in Maryville.

## Saturday, March 30

1:30 p.m. Walk the Wabash Trail Day. Meet at the depot on North Walnut.

8 p.m. Levis & Laces Square Dance Club dance at the Maryville High School. The caller at the dance will be Doug McCart.

## Sunday, March 31

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Palm Sunday Brunch at St. Francis Hospital's Bread Basket Cafeteria. For more information call 562-2600.

WWF Wrestlemania XII Live on pay-per view. Call Classic Cable in down town Maryville for details.

## Monday, April 1

1 - 3 p.m. Public Health Week observance. Meet the Public Health Staff at the Nodaway County Health Department.

7 p.m. Maryville Sharks swim team parents meeting at the Maryville High School Library. For more information call 582-7265.

## Thursday, April 4

7 p.m. Friends of the Missouri Wabash Trace Nature Trail meeting at the Maryville High School in the Counseling Center.

## Wednesday, April 17

11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Salad & Sandwich luncheon at the First Christian Church.

## Friday, May 24

1996 Tobin Benefit Golf Classic at the Mozingo Lake Golf Course. For more information call 562-2600.

## Upcoming Events

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings take place at noon Mondays and Thursdays at the Wesley Center.

6 p.m. Mondays and 9 a.m. Saturdays. Overeaters Anonymous at the North Wing dining room at St. Francis hospital.

Interested in pay-per view cable programming? Call Classic Cable in downtown Maryville for details.

## Traffic study to aid city plan

*Street counters characterize area usage; information useful for future city plan*

CODY L. WALKER  
ASSISTANT CITY NEWS EDITOR

Maryville and its residents are currently having their traffic patterns monitored by the numerous thin black rubber hoses lying on the streets.

In concordance with developing a new city plan, the city asked the state highway department to conduct a "Traffic Characterization Study," which will aid in this process.

City Manager David Angerer said the study is being done completely by the state, and the results will help the city and street management departments decide what types of issues need to be included in the plan.

"The rubber hoses record how many times vehicles pass over them, what day and time of day," Angerer said. "They will show fairly accurately the traffic patterns of the community."

Angerer said the state strategically located the hoses to tell the direction where traffic tends to go.

"(The city) had not done a traffic study in about 15 years," Angerer said. "With the process of redoing the city plan, we need to know where we need to be looking for street problems. We may find out that we may need to re-route the snow route or make a street wider or change parking. We couldn't do this study during the summer when the college students weren't here or over winter break, and we couldn't use the information from 15 years ago, so we asked the state to do it now."

Ron Brohammer, assistant city manager/director of public works, said the state decided where it was going to place the traffic counters and asked us about any other spots we wanted.

"They had a map with everything marked on it when we started and showed us where they wanted to put everything," Brohammer said.

Angerer said generally the traffic characterization studies are conducted for 162 consecutive hours, and the counters have been in place for about one week.

"It is important for a city to have a traffic characterization done every 10 to 12 years," Angerer said. "If we would have a massive growth spurt in one area, that may trigger the city to do one out of sequence."

Local or new businesses can use the information found in the study in determining a certain location's popularity.

"The business can request the information for the traffic flow generated in front of their specific location," Angerer said. "This will help them calculate the amount of walk-in business and popularity of their location."

Angerer said the study will be helpful and important to the street manager and the City Council to know areas that are important for future development.

The city would eventually like to have a similar study done on speeds within the city limits.

## QUILTER

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year, has about fifty members and is open to anyone.

"It's a real popular thing," Praisewater said. "We get several visitors at every meeting."

One of the activities the guild participates in is annual quilt shows. A quilt is raffled off each year around Christmas at the show. For Nodaway County's sesquicentennial celebration, the Krazy Quilters pieced together the "Dresden Plate" quilt which was raffled off during the celebration. As a member of the guild, Praisewater also worked on the quilt.

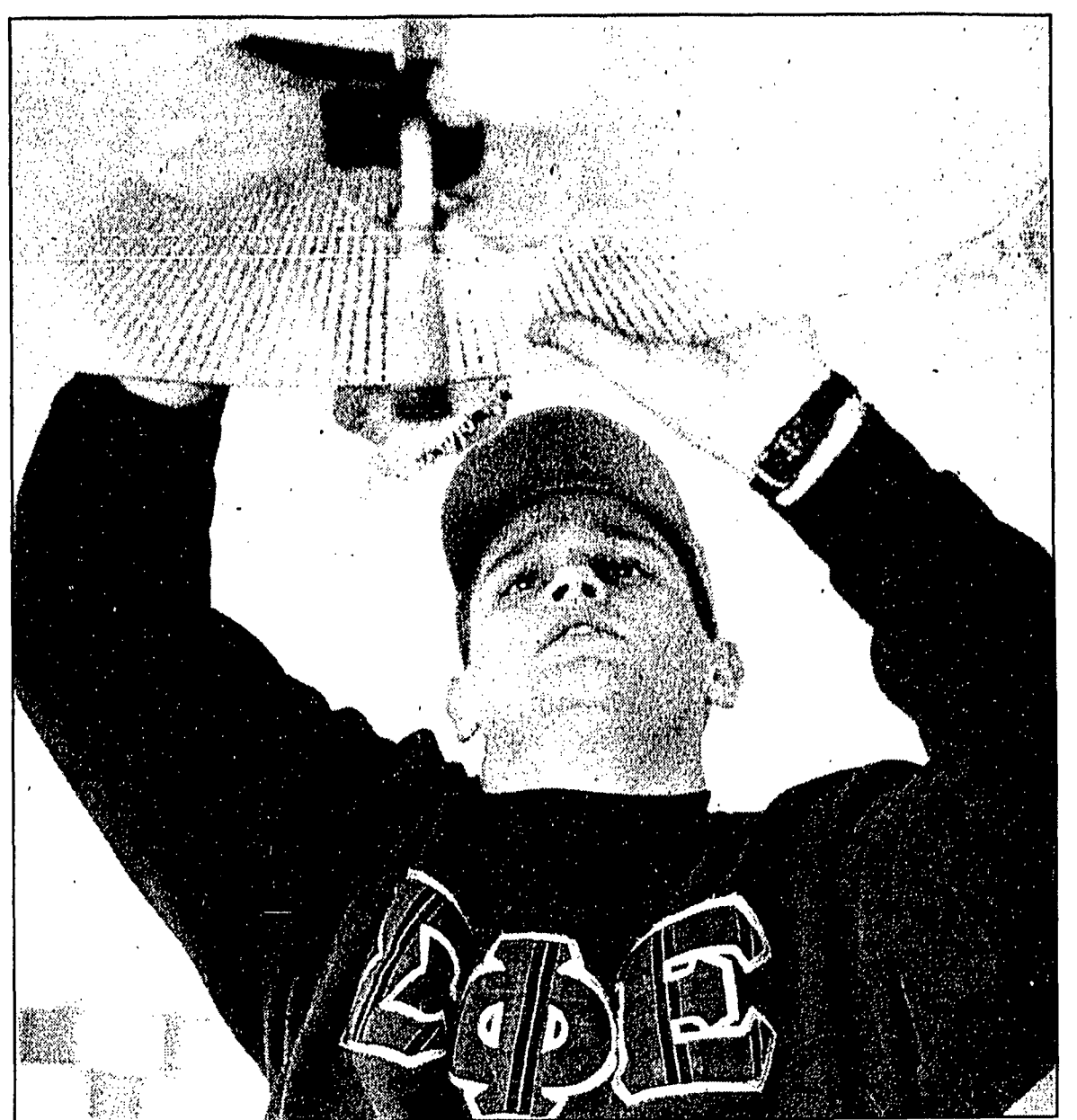
It offers workshops covering different aspects on quilting several times during the year.

The guild, which is in its fourth

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**Spic-n-Span.** Cleaning a kitchen light, Ben Prell is one of several Sigma Phi Epsilon members working to clean up Ann Yehle's house Tuesday afternoon. As part of their community service activities, the fraternity joined with the Maryville Citizens for Community Human Resource Committee to assist her.

## Groups provide assistance for long-time area resident

*Community groups help area woman prepare to move*

TATE SINCLAIR  
CHIEF REPORTER

An icon of Lawn Avenue is moving this week, and one fraternity is sweeping her out of town.

Ann Yehle has lived in Maryville her entire life, and at 139 Lawn Ave. for the last 60 years.

She has raised three children at the large house on the north side of Maryville, but all those children have grown and moved away, one of them to St. Louis.

Now, Yehle will be moving there to be closer to her daughter.

The elderly woman was able to sell her house, but cleaning it for the new owner was going to cause her some trouble. Enter Sigma Phi Epsilon and the Maryville Citizens for Community Action Human Resource Committee.

The two organizations joined forces to help Yehle scrub, sweep and vacuum her sold house.

This is just the first of what the two organizations hope will be several joint ventures to help the community.

Sheila Ward, chairman of the committee, said that teamwork is an invaluable piece of the plan.

"It's a group effort," Ward said. "We all have to work together to make it go."

The other side of the team, Sigma

Phi Epsilon, is headed up by Dustin Barnes. Barnes said his fraternity came into the project through the back door.

"I went to a MCCA task force committee meeting about three weeks ago hoping to find some information about starting a habitat for humanity chapter in Maryville," Barnes said.

"We started talking projects in town, and these projects around town popped up, so we decided to get involved."

Both groups plan to be involved with the citywide clean-up week of April 15th.

Anyone interested in assistance from the two organizations may call the First United Methodist Church office at 582-4821.

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## Student Senate Elections

April 18 & 19

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Applications are due back April 12 by 5 pm.



## CITY ELECTIONS

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the underage drinking issue are areas that will need to be addressed in the upcoming year.

Riggs said the most important issues to the council should be the basics.

"The city should always provide basic services at low costs," Riggs said. "A lot of exciting things happen in the town, like Mozingo, but

when the water doesn't come on, that's when you're going to get complaints."

For Wallace, Mozingo and the Permanent Street Program need to be addressed, but he said the council should have a different look to it.

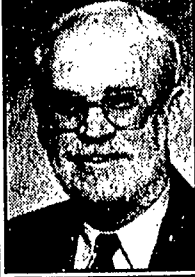
Black said the rising taxes worries him, along with the problem with crime in the city.

Elections are Tuesday, April 2.



Ray Courter

**Age: 44**  
**Occupation:** Northwest Controller  
**Family:** wife, Barbara; Adam, 23; Scott, 19



Robert Colville

**Age: 61**  
**Occupation:** Farmer  
**Family:** wife, Jan; Carl, 35; Cara, 33 and Cassandra, 27



Mark Burnside

**Age: 39**  
**Occupation:** Business owner  
**Family:** wife, Marla; Mallory, 13; Miraya, 11; and Myles, 9



David Smith

**Age: declined**  
**Occupation:** Northwest professor  
**Family:** wife, Jane; and Andrea, 19



Rego Jones

**Age: 47**  
**Occupation:** Horticulturist  
**Family:** wife, Winifred; Amy, 23; and Janna, 19



Elaine Plackemeier

**Age: 41**  
**Occupation:** Eveready employee  
**Family:** husband, Kent; Brad, 22; Kyle, 21 and Hans, 10

## COUNCIL

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In other agenda news, the Council accepted a two-year, three-month contract with EnvironManagement of St. Louis for roughly \$41,000 to conduct groundwater and stormwater monitoring at the Maryville Sanitary Landfill.

Council members also approved an official city logo to place on welcome signs around the city limits.

New Missouri State Highway sign regulations require the city to adopt an official logo. The Council entered into a \$10 contract with Pat and Al Turner, owners of The Sport Shop, to share the logo rights.

Angerer discussed a proposed contract the city negotiated with the Nodaway County Humane Society for the privatization of animal control duties.

The contract — which centers around the society's theory that the private sector can deliver services to the community better than the public sector — was tabled for further discussion with the society during the Council meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, April 8.

Under a \$10,000 budget, Rick Schultz, Mozingo Golf Course professional, submitted a proposal to build a cart shed at the course. The bid was tabled because Councilman Dale Mathes urged the city to wait until the course produces steady revenue.

Because the Maryville Treatment Center chose not to annex to the city, Council members agreed rural water dis-

tribut, Public Water Supply District No. 1, will supply water service to the center.

The burning ordinance was revised to read that residents cannot burn yard waste on city streets or sidewalks, and it was approved for a second reading and final vote April 8.

The Storm Water Management ordinance was tabled for further definition clarifications.

The Council approved specifications to purchase a new fire truck, replacing the current 1966 model. Keith Wood, director of Public Safety, said he is working

within a \$165,000 budget and is reviewing seven vendors.

Wood said he hopes to have bids and recommendations to purchase the vehicle by late May. If the purchase is approved, it could take up to one and one-half years to receive the unit.

As a stipulation of the over/under ordinance, taverns must post signs explaining the ordinance to customers. Angerer said tavern owners have complained the signs, in all-caps and 2-inch high letters, are too large and they inhibit view into the business.

Angerer recommended editing the sign to read, "It is unlawful for persons under the age of nineteen (19) to enter these premises unless accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Violation can result in a fine of up to \$500 and/or ninety (90) days in jail." The ordinance was approved to be voted on during the next meeting.



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Julie Castillo, resident of Golden Acres Development, said the drainage in her area is terrible.

"The city needs to make sure the storm water problem is taken care of," she said. "Someone needs to take charge of the responsibilities."

City Manager David Angerer has already prepared an ordinance to curtail future problems. The ordinance would ensure that future construction, modification or development within the city limits is in compliance with a City Council-approved plan.

"We have to contain water in a way that it doesn't put a strain on stormwater runoff venues downstream," Angerer said.

If the ordinance passes, it would make it mandatory for developers to evaluate their plans in respect to the ordinance.

"We need to set a standard to protect future property owners," Councilman Dale Mathes said. "We are looking into the future as we develop this."

This would prevent anyone from suffering from stormwater drainage. Angerer believes the measures to stop the drainage problems could be relatively inexpensive and easily adapted by the developers.

David Sears, part owner of Sears-O'Riley Construction, said the added cost from building a retention pond and other measures could be a hassle to him and his customers.

"I think it will add extra cost for the customer," Sears said.

Keith Arnold, owner of Woodruff-Arnold Home & Rent-it-Center, said the ordinance is not to be taken lightly.

"It will probably be something very difficult to work with," Arnold said. "From what I have read, it looks like a very powerful piece of legislation."

Arnold said the plan is needed, but

it's too specific in certain areas and vague in others.

"We desperately need this," Arnold said. "Overall it's good, but there are other ways to invest money and other ventures to pursue."

The plan would protect all property, real estate, health and welfare of individuals located in areas of increased stormwater runoff throughout existing neighborhoods as well.

"The ordinance will keep existing problems from getting worse," Angerer said. "Through long-term projects, we hope to stop the problem throughout the city."

Although the ordinance will attempt to address the stormwater runoff problem, Brohammer said the task could be difficult to stop entirely.

"When you build on areas of natural drainage or that are prone to flooding, there will be a problem," Brohammer said. "But we will try to alleviate any problems down the road that we can."

## InBrief

### Health center schedules community open house

The Nodaway County Health Center will sponsor an open house for members of the community from 1 to 3 p.m. Monday at 515 N. Main.

The event will take place in conjunction with National Public Health Week during the first week of April.

The center provides a variety of services to area residents, including blood pressure testing, immunization and HIV testing.

Anyone interested in learning more about the services available from the center may attend the open house or contact the agency at 562-3913.

By Susie Mires, senior reporter



### Bearcat Stepper Try-Outs

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Thursday, March 28, 1996

## Police Reports

These reports are taken from the official reports that Maryville Public Safety and the Nodaway County Sheriff's Department receive.

■ March 13 - Chad R. Barnes, 27, of Gilbert, Ariz., was arrested for driving while intoxicated and possession of a firearm while intoxicated. He was released on bond after being held the mandatory eight hours.

■ March 14 - Roger B. Moberly, 23, of Maryville, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for failure to appear. He was released on bond.

■ March 14 - A dog was reported stolen from Thunderbird Trailer Court. It was later discovered the dog was found.

■ March 16 - After investigating an abandoned vehicle in the middle of the road on East First Street, officers assisted a citizen to a residence on East Jenkins. When officers arrived at the residence, a 33-year-old Maryville man exited the residence and pointed a shotgun at a deputy. Timothy D. Frampton was arrested for unlawful use of a weapon and armed criminal action. He was later released on \$25,000 bond.

■ March 16 - Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in Skidmore and also a domestic disturbance at Pineridge Trailer Court.

■ March 17 - Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in Quitman.

■ March 18 - Thaddeus C. Meinheit, 22, of Maryville, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for motion to revoke probation. Meinheit is being held on a \$10,000 bond.

■ Officers have responded to several grass fires during the week to assist with traffic control. These included fires in Skidmore, Burlington Junction, Barnard, Pickering areas and Bilby Lake.

■ March 18 - A Maryville female reported that her tan small clutch purse had either been lost or stolen. The purse had \$14, her driver's license, identification and credit cards.

■ March 19 - A Maryville male reported the theft of 17 to 25 compact

discs from his residence.

■ March 19 - A Maryville man reported the theft of two "for sale" signs, black with red letters and two realty signs. The loss value is \$35.

■ March 19 - Joseph T. Meyer, 23, of Maryville, was issued a summons for supplying alcohol to minors following an incident in the 700 block of North Main.

■ March 20 - A Maryville female reported the theft of \$160 from her residence.

■ March 20 - A Maryville female reported she had been assaulted by a male subject.

■ March 20 - Kathleen L. Goerlitz, 52, of Maryville, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for burglary and stealing. She was released after posting bond.

■ March 20 - A Maryville female reported the theft of two pair of jeans from a laundry where she was doing her laundry. The loss value was \$65-70.

■ March 20 - Andrea N. Cooper, of Maryville, was stopped at a posted stop sign, then entered the intersection, but, because the sun was in her eyes, did not see Steven F. Brown, of Maryville, who was east coming over the hill on first. Brown applied the brakes and slid across the center line and struck Cooper. No citations were given.

■ March 21 - Fire units responded to a grass fire north of Maryville. The fire was small and was contained to the grass and a wooded area. The fire started as a result of a controlled fire getting out of control.

■ March 22 - A Maryville female reported that she was being harassed by a male subject.

■ March 22 - John R. Cowling III, of Osceola, Iowa, was at the corner of Main and Second headed east. When he pulled from a posted stop

sign, he entered the path of Leon M. Haile Jr., of Liberty, who was south on Main. Cowling was cited with failure to yield.

■ March 23 - A Maryville female reported she had been assaulted by a male subject. The case was referred to the prosecutor.

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■ March 24 - Officers responded to the 400 block of West Thompson in reference to a loud party. Upon arrival and getting permission from people to search their vehicles, a cooler containing alcoholic beverages was found in a vehicle driven by Todd N. Tobin, 18, of Maryville. He was issued a summons for minor in possession and permitting a peace disturbance on his premises. The party was shut down.

■ March 24 - Tony J. Botts, 25, of Stewartsville, received a summons for indecent exposure.

■ March 24 - Molly K. Carenen, 19, of Grandview, was arrested for larceny following an incident at a local business in which she took two boxes of Tylenol without paying for them. She was released after posting bond.

■ March 24 - A Maryville male reported a vehicle under his possession had been damaged while it was parked at his residence. A pop bottle had been thrown through the back door glass.

■ March 25 - Frankie L. Cunningham Jr., 29, of Hopkins, was arrested on a Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear. He was released after posting bond.

■ March 25 - Both Matthew S. Grooms, of Maryville, and Hiroshi Jitsuishi, of Maryville, were south on Main. Jitsuishi slowed in traffic and was struck in the rear by Grooms. Grooms received a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

## Obituaries

### Joe Otto Mowry

Joe Otto Mowry, 81, of Graham, died Thursday, March 14 at his home.

He was born March 1, 1915, to Morgan and Ruby Mowry, of Graham.

Survivors include one sister, Frances Shamberger.

Services were March 22 at the Graham United Methodist Church in Graham. Burial was at the Prairie Home Cemetery in Graham.

### Freda Linville

Frieda Linville, 73, of Skidmore, died Sunday, March 17 at her home.

She was born Feb. 16, 1923, to Fred and Bertha Barrett, of Skidmore.

Survivors include her husband, Junior Linville, and one son, Charles F. Linville.

Services were March 20 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at the Hillcrest Cemetery in Skidmore.

### Susie Pearl Throckmorton

Susie Pearl Throckmorton, 88, of Maryville, died Sunday, March 24 at her home.

She was born Nov. 2, 1907, to John and Sara Langley, of Guilford.

Survivors include two daughters, Ernel Joslin and Donna Pearl Black, and one son, Donald Eldon Throckmorton.

Services were Tuesday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in

Maryville. Burial was at the Nodaway Memorial Gardens in Maryville.

### Coy James Gamel

Coy James Gamel, 30, of Bedford, Iowa, died Monday, March 25 at his home.

He was born May 28, 1965, to James and Julia Gamel, of Maryville.

Survivors include his parents, Jim and Judy Gamel; his grandparents, Dorothy Kellogg and Dannie and Gladys Gamel; and one sister, Tammy Wehrkamp.

Services were Wednesday at the Wray Memorial United Methodist Church in Hopkins. Burial was at the Hopkins Cemetery in Hopkins.

## Births

### Tanner Lee Law

Lisa and Rinney Law, of Maryville, are the parents of Tanner Lee, born March 6 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces.

Grandparents are Larry and Janice Dawson, of Burlington Junction, and Ronald and Francis Law, of Independence.

### Chelsie Lea Ellen Titus

Danny and Angela Titus, of Maryville, are the parents of Chelsie Lea Ellen, born March 10 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces and joins one brother at home.

Grandparents are Byland and Peggy James, of Ravenwood, and John and Helen Titus, of Hopkins.

### Michael Charles Guy

Curtis and Tracy Guy are the parents of Michael Charles, born March 14 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces and joins two brothers at home.

Grandparents are Nancy Bender, of Kansas, and Charles and Grace Bridges, of California.

### Ethan James Achterhoff

Kyle and Amy Achterhoff, of Maryville, are the parents of Ethan James, born March 13 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 9 pounds, 3 ounces and joins one sister at home.

Grandparents are Dave and Dot Mulder, of Sioux Center, Iowa, and Jim and Gale Achterhoff, of Edgerton, Minn.

### Andrea Marie Henggeler

Martin and Kim Henggeler, of Barnard, are the parents of Andrea Marie, born March 17 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 8 pounds, 15 ounces and joins one sister at home.

Grandparents are the Rev. Fred and Carole Rohlf, of Osceola, Iowa, and Vine and Anna Henggeler, of Stanberry.

### Sidney Leigh Youngs

Brian and Sandy Youngs, of Pattonsburg, are the parents of Sidney Leigh, born March 16 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 5 pounds, 15 ounces.

Grandparents are Harold Ward, of Albany, and Tom and Norma Youngs, of McFau.

### Colton Anthony Hinkle

Ron and Nancy Hinkle, of Albany, are the parents of Colton Anthony, born March 15 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and joins two brothers and one sister at home.

Grandparents are Max and Linda

Wilson, of Albany, and Donald Hinkle, of King City, and Lila Hinkle, of St. Joseph.

### Justine Nicole Yount

Scott and Nikki Yount, of Maryville, are the parents of Justine Nicole, born March 15 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and joins one brother at home.

Grandparents are Gary and Connie Alger, of Clarinda, Iowa, and Butch and Judy Yount, of Barnard.

### Shea Elon Zion

Ron and Ardith Zion, of Maryville, are the parents of Shea Elon, born March 19 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 9 pounds and joins one brother and four sisters at home.

Grandparents are Joe Swalley, of Maryville, and Wilma Zion, of Mound City, and H. Eldon Zion, of Savannah.

### Kelli Nichole Bradshaw

Jason and Rebecca Bradshaw, of Maryville, are the parents of Kelli Nichole, born March 20 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces.

Grandparents are Dale and Patsy Reed, of Barnard, and Kevin and Bev Norris, of Chariton, Iowa, and Jerry and Mary Bradshaw, of Maryville.

## Wedding & Anniversary



Darcy Hope and Kevin Howard Maret

Darcy Hope Mickelson and Kevin Howard Maret were united in marriage Dec. 16, 1995, at the First United Methodist Church in Maryville.

The bride is a graduate of Maryville High School and Northwest.

She is the band director at South Page Community School in College Springs, Iowa.

The groom is a graduate of Valley High School in Des Moines and is a senior at Northwest.

### Golden Anniversary

Junior Benjamin (J.B.) and Betty Gordon Law will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on April 3.

They were married at the Methodist Church parsonage in Maryville. They have four children: Danny and Ann Law, of Indianola, Iowa; Benny and the late Pam Law, of Maryville; Kirby and Cathy Law, of Maryville; and Ila and Bruce Hunt, of Maryville. They have seven grand-

children.

A veteran of World War II, J.B. retired after 38 years of service for Nodaway Worth Electric. Betty was a beautician and bookkeeper.

The Laws plan to celebrate their anniversary with an Alaskan cruise. Cards may be mailed to:

Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Law  
409 West 9th, P.O. Box D  
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## PILOT

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armed services.

"I tried to get in before I did in 1942," he said. "But they just had so many that wanted to be in the Army. But then I was able to join the air corps and enroll in flying school to learn how to fly."

Costin said learning to fly was not a problem for him.

"I think it was easier then because they needed you so bad," he said. "It took me about a year to get through all the training, but I didn't have any trouble."

Then in August 1944, Costin received his wings, which he considered to be a thrilling moment in his life.

After receiving his wings, Costin flew on two missions in WWII. However, he never encountered any problems during the missions.

"When we got over there, the war was pretty much over," he said. "We would send fighters along with bombers. It was a little frightening at first, but the only mission I ever saw anything in was my second one. We saw four German jet fighters, but they weren't interested in us, so nothing happened."

After Costin returned from the war, he came back to Grant City to farm for his father.

However, Costin's flying days were far from over.

In 1954, he joined the Air National Guard and stayed until 1977. While in the guard, he served as backup for the Air Force and flew a cargo transport in Vietnam and a tanker in Europe.

"I guess I put in 9,000 hours in 6 or 7 (different) aircraft," he said.

While flying those missions, Costin's wife took care of the farm.

"I was sometimes gone 100 days out of the year in various places," he said. "She's been wonderful. She was a full-time farmer while I was gone. She took care of the

cattle; she did everything. I had very good support from my family."

Costin has five children and four grandchildren. Costin had already retired from the Air National Guard when University President B.D. Owens and Bob Bush, who served with him, approached him with the position in 1978. He accepted, and has been here ever since.

Since he has been at Northwest, Costin has seen a change in his role as the University pilot.

"At that time (when he first began flying for the University), I would fly one or two times a week," he said. "That's not as often as now. I guess they didn't have as many meetings then as they do now. In the last few years I've flown up to around 120 days of the year."

Costin's duties have included flying University officials to Jefferson City and other universities in Missouri.

One particular flight that stood out in his mind occurred after the Administration Building burned.

"I took people around to visit other universities for them to see what kind of buildings they wanted," he said. Costin has enjoyed his experiences at Northwest.

"I enjoy it, enjoy meeting people," he said. "I've met an awful lot of people."

Bob Bush, Director of Applied Research, said Costin's work with people will be missed by all.

"Ed is a very special person. The way he deals with people is incredible," he said. "We've been very fortunate to have him and are going to miss him a great deal."

Even though he is retiring, Costin plans to continue flying as much as he can.

"I'll fly privately if I have too, he said. "I don't own an airplane, and I never have. But I want to keep flying. I know I'm going to slow down, but I'll just keep flying, too."

Although Costin may think he will slow down, his spirit will continue to fly high.

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# Preserving your Health

Story by Jeni Klam

*"I'm so hungry I could eat a horse" is a popular phrase for hungry people, but do you really know what ingredients you're eating when you bite into your food?*

With the latest health food craze, consumers may check fat and calorie labels, but other ingredients lurk inside foods that people overlook every day.

Monosodium Glutamate, also known as MSG, is a salt preservative found in numerous foods, such as Chinese, chicken and tacos. MSG can cause allergic reactions in people who may not be aware of the preservative until they have a negative reaction to it.

Reactions can be as minor as coughing or sneezing and as serious as a cardiac arrest.

Doctors and health officials take MSG, reactions very seriously.

Northwest Dietician Michelle Martin said all food items that are sold on campus are non-MSG.

"Due to the fact that some people are sensitive to MSG, we chose Mark Pi as the company we buy food from," Martin said. "It packages no MSG and we specifically looked for that."

Food companies are helping consumers and the awareness of the preservative by putting "no MSG" labels on packages. Baby food and rice are two of the most

recent foods that have seen the new labels on their packaging.

Even the most health conscious people are not aware of MSG.

Tracy Corbin always looks at labels before she eats, but she had never heard of the salt preservative.

"I always look at fat intake and calories, but I'm not really concerned about preservatives," Corbin said. "I don't ever really hear about preservatives, but if I had something like diabetes, I might pay more attention."

Although food on campus is non-MSG, there are many establishments in town that still serve the preservative in their foods.

Kentucky Fried Chicken, Taco Bell, Taco John's and Cookies all serve MSG in their foods. Country Kitchen is one of the few restaurants that have rid their foods of MSG.

Some restaurants, such as The Mandarin, offer the option of the preservative.

Two other dangerous preservatives that have been in the spotlight lately are sulphite and Olestra. Without the education from the media and food companies, the public may not know the seriousness of the preservatives.

Checking labels and knowing the side effects may help people better understand what ingredients are OK and those that could do more harm than good.

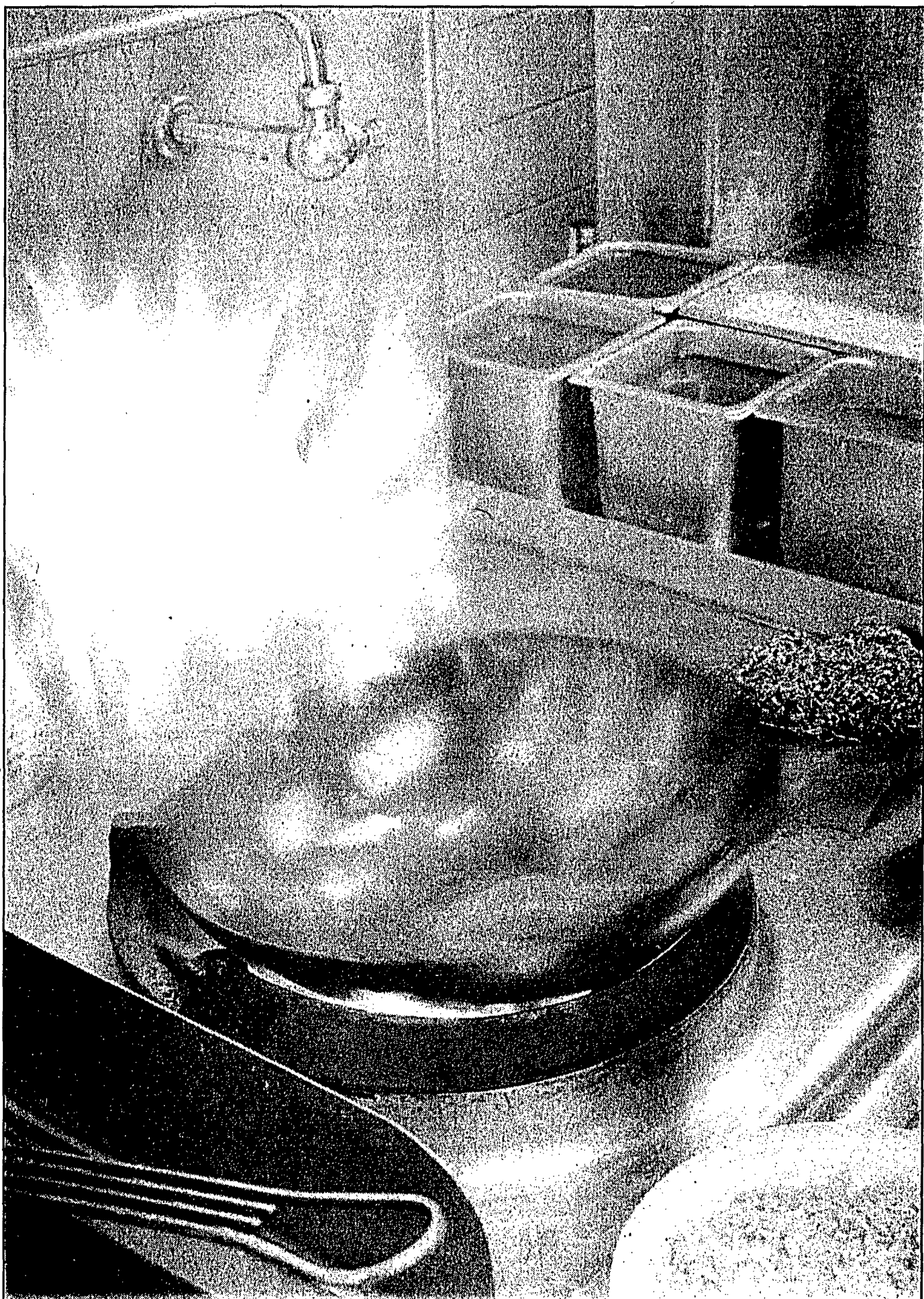


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**Michelle Martin**  
Northwest dietician

## ♥ Label spots good foods

Have you noticed a red heart-shaped symbol with a white checkmark through it on packages of food at the stores? If so, you've spotted the new "On-Pack" symbol created by the American Heart Association.

The heart-check symbol appears with this statement: This product meets American Heart Association dietary guidelines for healthy people over age 2 when used as part of a balanced diet.

In addition to appearing on such foods as cereals, soups, pastas, meats and desserts, the symbol will soon be appearing on restaurant menus all across the country.

Eating foods with the heart-check label can reduce some of your risks for heart attack and stroke.

The AHA heart-check symbol also indicates which food items are considered a good choice as part of a person's healthful diet.

Information courtesy University extension.

## Caution. Could be Hazardous to Your Health

### WATCHING CALORIES? LOOK AT THIS...

Apart from convenience, eating on campus can provide something you may not have expected: plenty of calories. But you can avoid the high-calorie items with some low-fat treats. This information was taken from the ARAMark "Treat Yourself Right" program pamphlets located on walls near each establishment. Information compiled by Cynthia Hansen.

	ITZA PIZZA	GRILLE WORKS	DUNKIN' DONUTS	FRESHENS	TOWER VIEW	WORLD OF CUISINE	DELI/TACO BELL
<b>Some Food Items High In Calories</b>	A large slice of bacon chili cheese dog pizza with 546 and the healthy choice sub with 805	The Philly sandwich and french fries has 1058 and roast beef and cheese sauce with french has 808	The crullers/sticks has 410 and a banana nut muffin has 360	1/2 cup ice cream in assorted flavors has 150-190 and two scoops of walnuts has 344	Tying for first place are four ounces of both the fried cauliflower and the fried mushrooms has 470 each	Leghorn's three piece snack and three-piece dinner has 975 and 784	The bagelette box has 895, the nacho supreme has 679 and the cauliflower with cheese soup has 325
<b>Some Food Items Low In Calories</b>	A small slice of cheese pizza has 161 and the Healthy choice super sub has 782	The individual salad has 31 and the vegetable tray has 44	Chocolate glazed and powdered sugar cake munchkins with 60 each	1 ounce Non-fat yogurt with Nutrasweet has 17-20	Four ounces of the teriyaki chicken breast have 130 and one piece of angel food cake has 120	The black bean burger has 120, garlic bread has 121 and four ounces of tomato sauce have 106	Small nachos have 173 and a bagel has 181



# 'Hounds hit their way to wins

*Sluggers  
start  
season  
on right  
foot*

JASON SMITH  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The Maryville High School baseball team has pounded out 25 hits and scored 19 runs in its first two games, helping them to obtain a 2-0 record.

"There hasn't really been any standouts," head coach Brian Lohafer said. "Coby Dougan has been our leadoff hitter and he's been getting on base, but really everyone's been getting a couple of hits every three or four at bats."

Tuesday, the Spoofhounds hammered LeBlond, 11-3, in St. Joseph. Maryville exploded for nine runs in the third inning to blow the game open. LeBlond allowed three bases on balls, threw a wild pitch and committed two errors in the inning. That, coupled with five hits by the Spoofhounds, added

up to a 9-1 lead for the 'Hounds by the end of the third.

Junior pitcher Dave Merrill earned his second victory of the season by allowing only one unearned run and striking out five batters in five innings. Merrill was helped out by Maryville's solid defense, which turned in two double plays to kill off possible rallies by the Eagles.

"We have a really good pitching staff this year," Lohafer said. "We have five good pitchers, and we've been playing really good defense behind them."

Last Thursday, the 'Hounds nipped the East Buchanan Bulldogs 8-7 in a nine-inning dog fight.

The score was tied at seven after seven innings and continued that way until the top of the ninth. In the ninth, Maryville senior Jeremy Dorrel

belted a double and scored on junior Coby Dougan's base hit.

Dave Merrill shut the door on the 'Dogs in the bottom of the ninth to preserve the victory.

Grant Sutton, Mason Chesnut and Brad Simmons all had two hits in the win.

"What we have is several sophomores who played for us last year and some seniors who didn't," Lohafer said. "It makes a really nice mixture for us."

The 'Hounds will try to continue their winning ways at 5:15 p.m. at the Maryville High School baseball field.

Maryville will be back to play at 5 p.m. Monday at Cameron High School at Cameron.

The Spoofhounds will be back in Maryville next Thursday to take on Benton High School.

## TimeOut

High school  
may be finished  
but hoops go on



NATE OLSON

3-on-3 tourneys bring back  
spirit and competitive fire

I finally have realized what the phrase "You don't know what you got 'til it's gone" really means.

Three years ago at this time my high school sports career had come to an end. I only played basketball, so after March I was done.

At the time I was sad because I knew I would not play in college and my career as a basketball player was over.

The thing I have missed the most about not playing competitive sports has been the thrill of competing.

Pick-up basketball is fun, but it really does not matter who wins or loses. Games can get competitive when people start talking trash and pride is on the line, but it is just not the same as when you were down by 12 points in the fourth quarter in the district semifinal game and came back to win.

My junior year of high school, we went 15-5 and made the district championship but we were eliminated. That year we won five games in the last seconds, and I just lived for the rush of the screaming fans and hugging teammates as we rushed on to the floor after a last second win.

I never really thought I would get that rush again, but last summer my friend Butch invited me and three other friends to play in three three-on-three basketball tournaments.

The first tournament we played in was in a town not far from our home. We defeated a team from our hometown, which included one player who had been a legend at our local high school in the late '70s, and a player who would go on to be an all-state high school performer this season.

We beat them and went on to the finals where we were beaten. Despite our loss in the championship game, we felt good because we had beaten someone from our hometown who thought they could destroy us.

It was at that moment when all of the feelings of high school competition came rushing back. My adrenaline was back and even though the reward for winning was just a T-shirt, the satisfaction and thrill of real competition got my spirits going once again.

We played in the annual Hoop It Up tournament in Omaha and made the semifinals. We played in the competitive division, and once again my competitive spirit was alive and well.

Everyone took the tournament seriously, a couple of teams maybe too seriously, and it felt good to play basketball when something was on the line.

That is the thrill of competition. When you lose a pickup game, you sit out a while and then you have a chance to redeem yourself. At a tournament, you lose and you are done. It's the finality and thrill of victory and agony of defeat that make playing exciting.

The event that has triggered my memories is the Phi Mu sorority's Miracles to Shoot for three-on three tournament benefiting the Children's Miracle Network.

I am going to play in the tournament with my friends, and I am looking forward to competing again and having fun. Even when we lose, it is still fun to just get a chance to compete.

I have some advice for you basketball fans in Maryville. You Spoofhounds enjoy your years now and have a great time. You proved this year that there will be moments and teammates that you will never forget. To you older hoop fans itching for competition again, get your buddies together and enter a three-on-three tournament. You are never too young or too old to enjoy the thrill of competition.

Nate Olson is the city sports editor of the Northwest Missourian.

## Summer basketball signup begins soon

Basketball season is over, but it is never too early to think about polishing your skills.

Registration forms and program information for the Sizzlin' Summer Hoops summer youth basketball program are now available in the Maryville Parks and Recreation office at 415 North Market.

Registration for Maryville teams will begin at 8 a.m. Monday, April 22. Out-of-town teams may begin registering at 10 a.m.

Registration will continue through April 26 or until divisions are filled. Walk-in registration is required.

Because of limited gym space, each grade level will be limited to the first eight teams per level.

## Spoofhound tennis team drops match

COLIN MCDONOUGH  
CHIEF REPORTER

Even with a loss in the season opener, the Maryville boys' tennis team is not going to be discouraged.

P.K. Krokstrom, head tennis coach, said although the Spoofhounds lost to Savannah, the team played well.

"I think we did real well," he said. "It was a good first match."

The 'Hounds lost five out of the six singles matches but were able to bounce back and take two out of the three doubles matches.

Junior netter Gentry Martin was the lone Spoofhound to come away a winner in both singles and doubles.

Martin won his singles match, 9-7, in the No. 5 slot. He teamed with junior Dave Neustadter in the No. 3 doubles position, and they picked up the win over their Savannah counterparts.

Freshman Deno Groumoutis, playing in his first varsity match at the No. 1 singles position, had a tough debut and took an 8-0 defeat.

Krokstrom said Groumoutis should be able to bounce back.

"That was his first match at No. 1, but the next time he'll be ready," he said.

Senior netter Brian Lewis suffered an 8-4 loss at No. 2 singles, while senior Justus Ehlers went down 8-1 at No. 3.

Neustadter could not come through with a win and took an 8-4 loss at No. 4.

Senior netter Tim Shipley finished up the singles play for the Spoofhounds at the No. 6 position and suffered an 8-1 loss.

Krokstrom said he was extremely pleased with his team's doubles play.

"We probably should have won three out of three," he said. "But I feel real good about it so far."

Groumoutis and Ehlers teamed up to take the No. 1, doubles match with a 7-5 triumph.

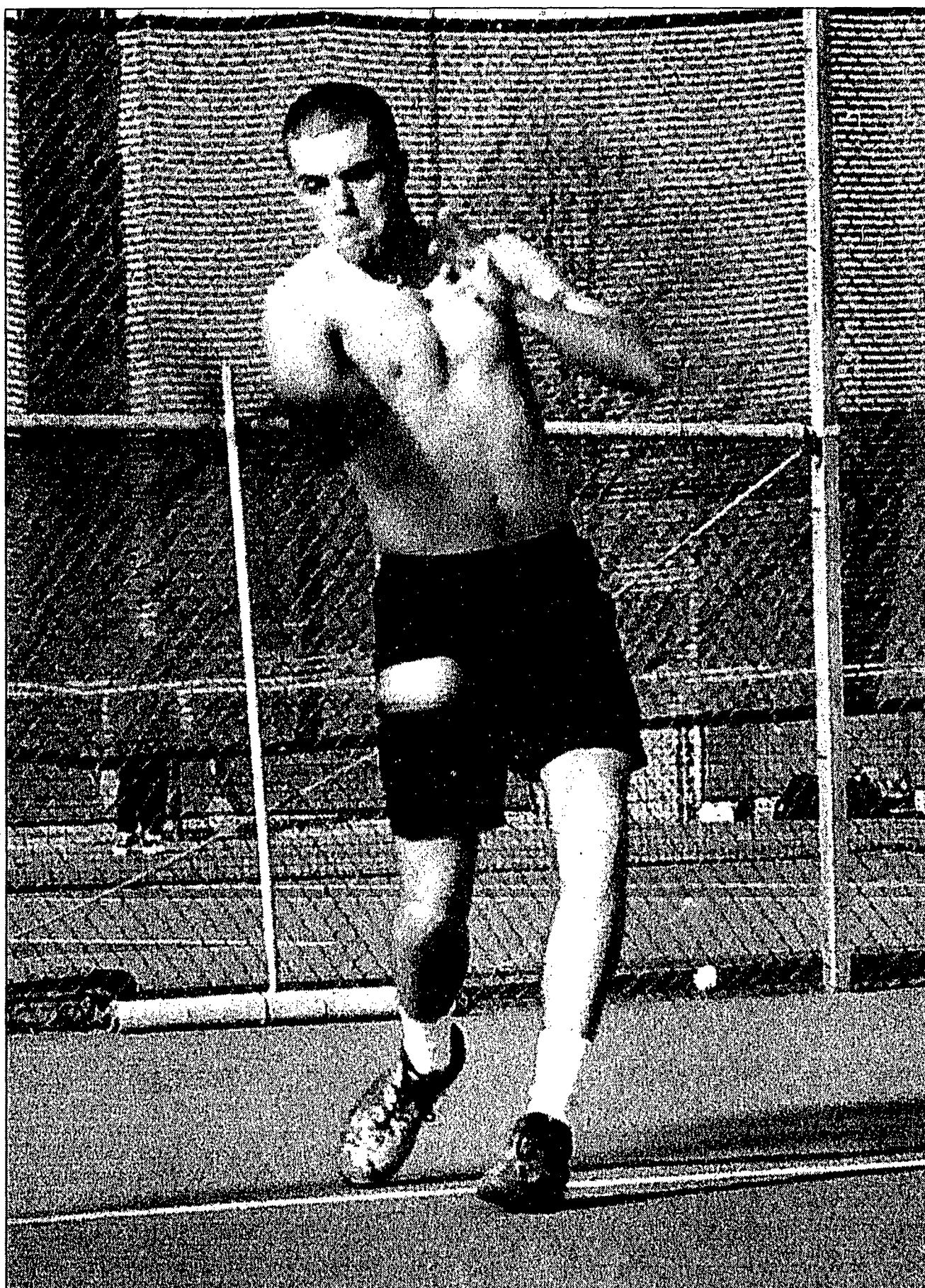
The duo of Lewis-Shipley was unable to capture a victory with a 6-1 setback.

The Spoofhounds will be in action again Tuesday at 4 p.m. against LeBlond High School in St. Joseph.

Krokstrom said that match will be a measuring stick to see how good his team is.

"We will find out how good we are when we play LeBlond," he said. "We got our first game jitters out of the way and now we'll be alright."

The Spoofhounds will be in action 4 p.m. Monday at LeBlond High School in St. Joseph.



CHRISTINA KETTLER/Missourian Staff

Right back at ya. Senior Tim Shipley returns a shot during practice last week at the High Rise tennis courts at Northwest. The Spoofhounds were unable to practice

or play any matches this week because of the cold and wet weather. Last Thursday the 'Hounds dropped their first meet of the year against Savannah.

## Linksters start season slow, lose to Rock Port by 2 strokes

*Spoofhounds come up short  
in their first two matches,  
look to bounce back Monday*

COLIN MCDONOUGH  
CHIEF REPORTER

The Maryville boys' golf team is off to a slow start in its first two matches of the year.

The Spoofhounds lost to Savannah High School last Thursday and dropped their home opener to Rock Port High School Tuesday.

Rock Port edged the 'Hounds by two strokes at Mzingo Golf Course, 199-201.

The weather, cold and only 38 degrees, was not the best for play, but the players made the best of the conditions.

Senior Jeff Beacom fired the lowest round for Maryville with a 46, which also earned him medalist honors.

Beacom's round barely edged out his teammate, freshman John Throener, who shot a 47.

Matt Felton carded a 50 to earn third place for the Spoofhounds, while Doug Lewis shot a 58.

However, the best round of the day was fired by a Maryville junior varsity linkster, Jason Walter. Walter fired a 41, which included four pars.

The Spoofhounds opened the season in Savan-

nah with a defeat, at the hands of the Savages.

Although the 'Hounds were not victorious, Pat Turner, head golf coach, said she was happy with the performance.

"I don't think it was an awful, awful performance," she said. "It was OK, but we need some definite improvement."

Turner said the play of Throener has impressed her.

"I was really impressed with John Throener," she said. "He played varsity as a freshman and beat his man."

Turner said Savannah is a young team with a lot of talent.

"Savannah has an excellent team with a lot of depth," she said. "They are going to be somebody to contend with this year and next year."

Turner said the weather has played havoc with practice.

"We've been using the driving range and putting green," she said. "We thought we could get out last week and play some rounds but the weather said 'oh no you can't,' and that kind of left us up a creek with our qualifying."

Maryville will try to make their first mark in the victory column Monday as they travel to St. Joseph at 4 p.m. to battle the LeBlond High School.

They will play at 4 p.m. at Benton High School next Thursday.



GENE CASSELL/Campus Sports Editor

Get in the cup. Junior Matt Felton watches as his putt nears the cup on the fifth hole at Mzingo golf course. Felton shot the second-best round for Spoofhounds on Tuesday in a loss to Rock Port.



## Sportsline

### Men's Bearcat Tennis

**March 21 vs Creighton University**  
Northwest 6, Creighton 1  
**March 22 vs Graceland College**  
Northwest 6, Graceland 1  
**March 23 vs. Northeast Missouri State Univ.**  
Northwest 7, Northeast Missouri 0  
**March 24 vs University of Missouri-St. Louis**  
Northwest 7, UMSL 0  
(Match Results)  
**SINGLES**

#1 (NW) Jory Leitenbauer d. (UMSL) Caribbean 6-0, 6-0  
#2 (NW) Dave Subrt d. (UMSL) Magala 6-0, 6-0  
#3 (NW) Dave Mendez d. (UMSL) Coleman 6-4, 6-0  
#4 (NW) René Ramirez d. (UMSL) Young 6-4, 6-1  
#5 (NW) Trystan Crook d. (UMSL) Rogers 6-1, 6-0  
#6 (NW) Brant Bermudez d. (UMSL) Munich 6-1, 6-4  
**DOUBLES**  
#1 (NW) Subrt/Mendez d. (UMSL) Caribbean/Rogers 8-4  
#2 (NW) Leitenbauer/Crook d. (UMSL) Coleman/Young 8-3  
#3 (NW) McFee/Ramirez d. (UMSL) Magala/Munich 8-1

### Women's Bearcat Tennis

**March 21 vs Creighton University**  
Creighton 4, Northwest 3  
**March 22 vs Graceland College**  
Northwest 7, Graceland 0  
**March 23 vs. Northeast Missouri State Univ.**  
Northwest 5, Northeast Missouri 2  
(Match Results)  
**SINGLES**

#1 (NW) Iva Kutlova d. (NE) Boullear 6-4, 6-3  
#2 (NE) Jeter d. (NW) Andi Schneider 7-5, 6-4  
#3 (NE) Vejvoda d. (NW) Kim Buchan 6-2, 6-1  
#4 (NW) Lia Ruiz d. (NE) del Rosario 6-4, 6-2  
#5 (NW) Maria Groumoutis d. (NE) K. Brady 6-3, 6-1  
#6 (NW) Sherri Cassidy d. (NE) P. Brady 6-1, 7-5  
**DOUBLES**  
#1 (NW) Kutlova/Schneider d. (NE) Boullear/Jeter 8-4  
#2 (NW) Buchan/Cassidy d. (NE) Vejvoda/K. Brady 8-4  
#3 (NW) Ruiz/Groumoutis d. (NE) del Rosario/P. Brady 8-2

### Bearcat Baseball

**March 23 vs. Washburn University**  
Northwest 9, Washburn University 6, 3  
**March 24 vs. Washburn University**  
Northwest 8, Washburn University 7, 8  
**March 27 vs. Central Methodist College**  
**Game 1**  
Northwest 5, Central Methodist 4  
Central Methodist 010 012 0 — 4 7 3  
Northwest 000 032 X — 5 8 2  
NWMSU — Sal McGhee, Chad Berens (3), Kirk  
Sears (6), Mark Forret (6) and James Barnett  
WP — Forret (2-1). LP — Brian Ash.  
**Game 2**  
Central Methodist 5, Northwest 1  
Central Methodist 004 010 0 — 5 3 1  
Northwest 000 100 0 — 1 4 1  
NWMSU — Ben Misfeldt, Mitch Peterson (3),  
Darrell Murphy (3) and Derrick Beasley, Rusty  
Lashley (5)  
WP — Anderson. LP — Misfeldt (0-1).

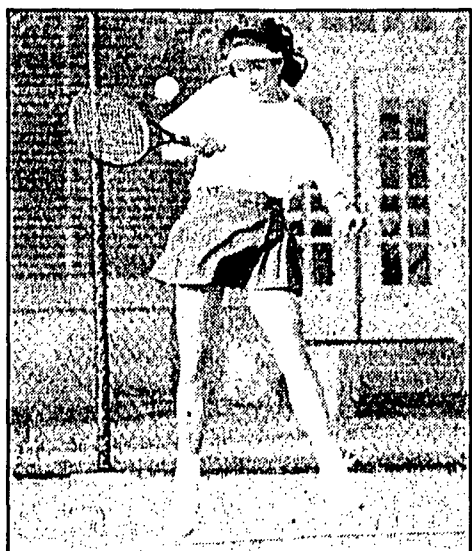
### Bearcat Softball

**March 23 vs. Washburn University**  
Northwest 2, Washburn 1, 1  
**March 24 vs. Emporia State University**  
**Game 1**  
Emporia State 1, Northwest 0  
Northwest 000 000 — 0 1 2  
Emporia State 000 010 — 1 4 0  
NWMSU — Kristi Sweeney and Jacque Burkhart.  
WP — Peters (8-2). LP — Sweeney (5-5)  
**Game 2**  
Rained out.  
Will be made up April 13 in Emporia

**Correction:** In the March 21 issue of the Northwest Missourian, Karen Hugel was misidentified in the softball photo on page 12. Additionally, the Bearcat softball team beat Central College (Iowa), who at the time was ranked 4th in NCAA Division III. The Missourian regrets the error.

## PlayerWatch

### Lia Ruiz



FILE PHOTO

**HOMETOWN:** Mexico City, Mexico  
**YEAR:** Senior  
**MAJOR:** Spanish/French Education  
**CAREER STATS:** Recorded a 52-20 singles record playing in the No. 3 slot, placing second in the MIAA her sophomore and junior years. Has a 48-17 doubles record over same time span taking first places all three seasons, twice at No. 3 and once at No. 2  
**CURRENT STATS:** Named MIAA tennis player of the week on March 26, going 4-0. Tied for team lead-in wins with 15

# 'Cats draw split with NAIA school

*Bearcats start 3-1 in conference while Johnson picks up win 300; put mark on line in Warrensburg*

CHRIS GEINSOKY  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

For as strong as Northwest has looked through the first four weeks of the season, the 'Cats showed they do have their off days.

Central Methodist College visited Northwest Wednesday, and the teams split the two-game series at Bearcat Field.

Northwest struggled in the first game, but the 'Cats managed to claw their way to a 5-4 comeback victory.

Juniors Jay Hearn and Matt Porter both gathered two hits a piece and knocked in two RBI. Porter's hit in the sixth inning proved to be the difference when the tying and go-ahead runs crossed the plate.

The bullpen stayed tough, and senior Mark Forret chalked up his second win of the year to improve to 2-1.

In the second game, struggle was the word to use to describe the game in the Northwest dugout.

"Some individuals came through, but I would rate the whole team performance for effort as an 'F,'" Jim Johnson head coach said. "We embarrassed ourselves, the conference and the University today."

One run on four hits were all Northwest could muster off of Eagle's pitchers in the game, and sophomore Ben Misfeldt was forced to take the loss.

"These games just showed us that we can't just sit back and expect things to happen," Hearn said. "We need to hit the ball better, score more runs and play defense like we were at the beginning of the season."

Afterward, the 'Cats were left with a 15-5 overall mark as they prepare for a big four-game series this weekend in Warrensburg against conference rival Central Missouri State University.

A weekend series with MIAA rival Washburn University ended the 'Cats' 12-game winning streak but turned out to be a success in the end.

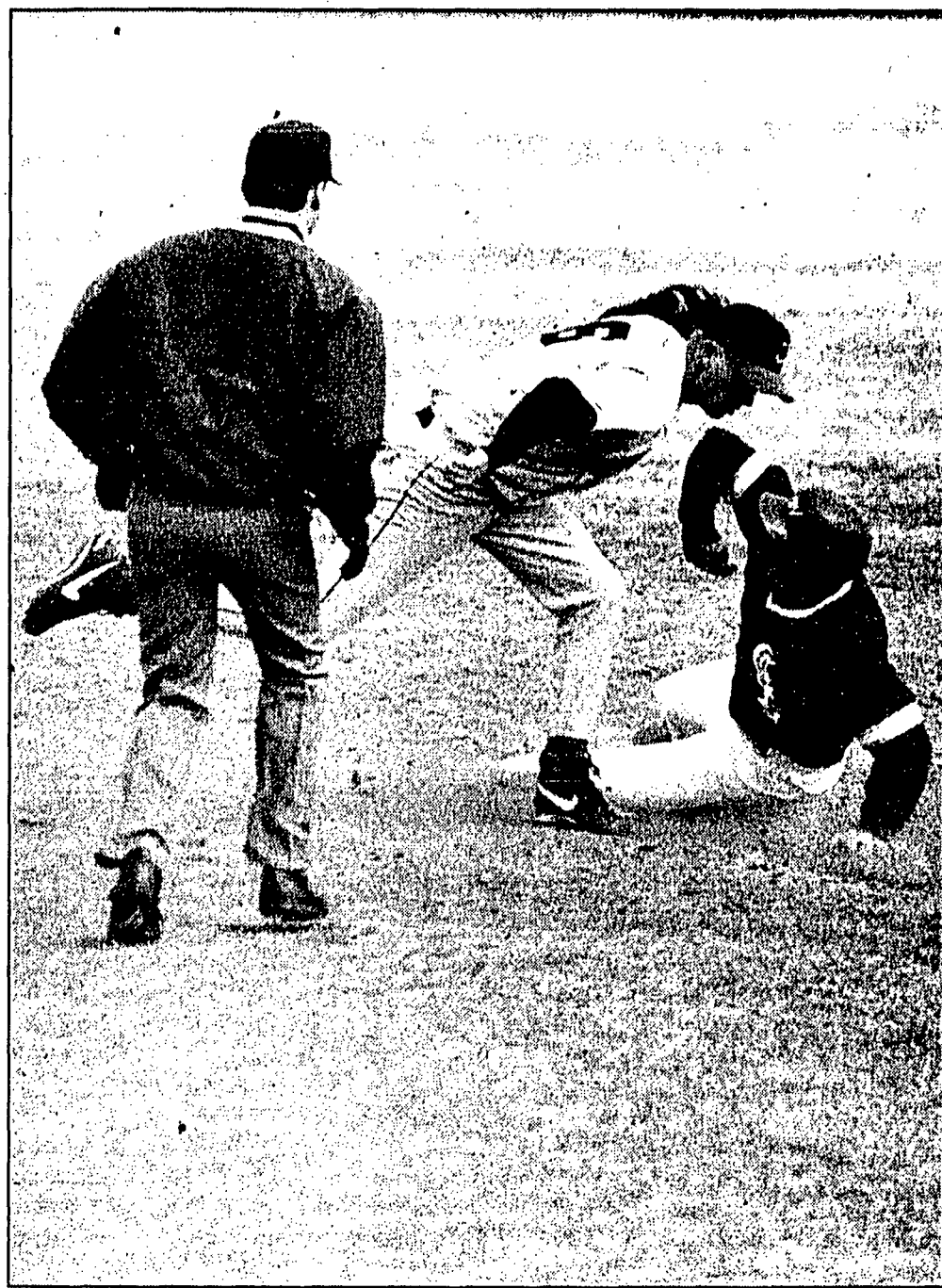
"It's real important to start conference off well," senior Matt Fitzmorris said. "I thought we played well. We hit on all cylinders."

Northwest played host to the Ichabods for a pair of double-dips Saturday and Sunday to open up conference play.

Saturday the 'Cats won a pair of games edging Washburn 9-6 in the opener and 5-3 in the second game.

Junior Colby Cartney picked up his fourth victory of the season in the first game while Forret saved his second game of the year, which iced Johnson's 300th victory at Northwest.

"It's hard to believe, but it's a gratifying experience,"



**Close call.** Junior third baseman Paul Peterson gets caught stealing second in the second game of Wednesday's double-header against Central Methodist College. Northwest split the twin bill with the Eagles moving its record to 15-5.  
GREG DALRYMPLE/  
Assistant Photography Director

Johnson said. "It's been a pleasure to represent Northwest in the 14 years I've been here."

With 302 career victories at Northwest, Johnson is the winningest coach ever as the Bearcat skipper.

In the second game, Johnson went to the bullpen again, and Forret registered his first win of the season.

Northwest was forced to settle for a split in the rain Sunday. The Bearcats won the first game 8-7 but fell short 8-1 in the second.

Offensively, Northwest had the bats going early and

often, pounding out 15 hits in the first game.

Sophomore shortstop Derrick Beasley went 3-3, scoring three times, while Hearn tallied three hits of his own, knocking in two RBI and giving him a team-high 21.

Both seniors James Barnett and Fitzmorris each added two hits for the Bearcats, and the win boosted junior pitcher Mark Gutkowski's record to 3-1.

Northwest could only manage three hits off Ichabod pitchers in the second game, and Washburn salvaged one game from the four-game series.

## Netters open MIAA season with unblemished records

COLIN MCDONOUGH  
CHIEF REPORTER

The men's and women's tennis teams came within one match of going through a perfect week.

The lone blemish came during the women's match against Creighton University last Thursday. The Bearcats lost the match, 4-3 at the hands of the Blue Jays.

The women were able to bounce back from the Creighton loss with two other wins to push their record to 14-4 on the season and a perfect 3-0 in the MIAA.

Northwest was able to knock off Graceland College and conference rival Northeast Missouri State University. The Bearcat netters shut out Graceland 7-0 while taking down Northeast 5-2.

Sophomore Sherri Casady and senior Lia Ruiz continue to lead the Bearcats with 15 wins and four losses apiece.

Junior Maria Groumoutis fol-

lows closely behind with 14 wins against five losses.

The men's team went through the week without a single loss, improving its mark to 12-5 on the season and 4-0 in the MIAA.

The men were able to handle Creighton pretty easily with a 6-1 triumph. The men also triumphed over Graceland by a 6-1 score.

The Bearcats ended their week with two shutouts of conference rivals. The 'Cats dominated Northeast and the University of Missouri-St. Louis, 7-0.

With the four wins the Bearcats added this week, they now have a six-match winning streak. The 'Cats will put their streak on the line Friday as they head to Northeast Oklahoma and then to Southwest Baptist University on Saturday.

Mark Rosewell, head tennis coach, said this week's upcoming matches will be difficult.

"Northeast Oklahoma is a tough

team," he said. "They were rated No. 11 in NAIA Division II."

Rosewell has only defeated SBU once in his coaching career, which was last season when the Bearcats won the MIAA championship.

Junior René Ramirez lead the Bearcats with a record of 15-3 at singles and senior Trystan Crook follows closely with 14 wins.

The "Dave Duo" of seniors Subrt and Mendez leads the Bearcats doubles' teams in victories with eight triumphs.

Rosewell said the men's team is really playing well at this point in the season.

"The men's team is really coming together," he said. "People have been asking why the men have been struggling but you have to look at their level of competition."

Rosewell said he wanted to put a special emphasis on the hard work of his two assistant coaches, Derek Mills and Steve Ptasnik.



MITCH BAYSINGER/Missourian Staff

**Quick feet.** Freshman netter Iva Kutlova returns a serve from her Graceland opponent on Friday. The 'Cats won the match 7-0, then on Saturday, they knocked Northeast Missouri State University 5-2.

## From the Cheap Seats

# MIAA: Are you tougher than the NCAA?

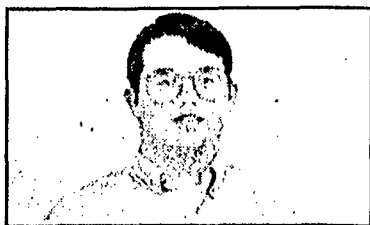
Northwest basketball is getting the shaft after having a dream season.

The MIAA has decided to strip the conference championship from the Bearcats even after the NCAA said it would not be necessary.

Northwest athletic director Jim Redd received a letter on March 21 from the NCAA saying "Northwest had documented its efforts to ensure that it had secured complete information and, therefore, forfeiture is not being required."

But apparently the MIAA thinks it is more powerful than the mighty NCAA because it has taken away the precious conference title the Bearcats worked long and hard for.

I cannot see how the MIAA could overrule something the NCAA says. It just



COLIN MCDONOUGH

doesn't make any sense, and I'm sure it does not make a lot of sense to anyone else out there.

This is the first in a long line of events I do not understand about the situation, and I'm not sure if a lot of other people can comprehend it either.

I wonder if it would have mattered if we had finished anywhere else in the league

other than first place. I don't think if the Bearcats had finished in second place or even last place this would have even been brought up.

Another part of the story that throws me for a loop is that nobody is saying who actually turned in the Bearcats. It would have to be some low-life scum who loves ruining the world of some young men who worked hard since October, striving toward their goals.

Whoever that person or persons is can not be sleeping well knowing that he or she has broken the hearts of 12 Bearcat hoopsters and all Northwest basketball fans.

The final part of the story that gets to me is that Rick Jolley does not seem to me to be the type of person to make up a story saying he could not remember playing in

the exhibition game. Obviously, if I were a Division I basketball player and was leaving a school, I think I would remember playing in my last Division I contest.

It just seems like something that no one could ever forget. It's not like Jolley has completely forgotten about the game. He said he remembers it, but that he was in street clothes.

Penn State University had better send its condolences to head coach Steve Tappmeyer and the entire Northwest basketball team because in not gathering some much needed information, they ruined a dream season.

The only word that I can think of to describe the situation is "DEBACLE."

Colin McDonough is a chief reporter for the Northwest Missourian





JACY FREAR/Chief Photographer

**One foot in front of the other.** Members of the track team run a mile at the beginning of practice Tuesday afternoon after its scheduled meet was canceled because of the cold temperatures. The meet was rescheduled for today.

# Bearcats to open home season

*Men's, women's track teams look to meet goals, continue traditions of success in past*

JIM MILLER  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

As Mother Nature begins to shake off her icy grip and spring begins its slow roar, the promises of new life and a new season have begun for the Northwest track teams.

With its indoor season behind, the outlook for the men's outdoor team offers the men a chance to make a fresh start.

"We're coming off a pretty rocky indoor season," head coach Rich Alsup said. "We were down in numbers, and that hurt us. It is something we're not used to dealing with."

The men's team had many athletes who suffered different injuries throughout the season which hurt their chances to compete effectively. The Bearcats also lost members of their team at semester break because of unsatisfactory progress, poor grades and personal problems.

"All those factors took their toll," Alsup said. "We had a lot of adversities to overcome throughout the indoor season."

Alsup said his team has had two good weeks

of practice, and everyone has a positive attitude toward the upcoming season.

"Our kids matured at the end of the indoor season, and I hope that will carry over to the outdoor season," he said.

For senior co-captain Mitch Dosland, this outdoor season holds a little more meaning because it will be his last time sporting a Bearcat uniform.

"My goals for this season are to just have a lot of fun and do well in the decathlon," Dosland said. "I want everyone on the team to have fun and not worry about winning every meet, but to do the best they can every time out."

The Northwest women's teams hopes its winning ways will carry over into the outdoor season.

"We should do better than we did indoors," head coach Ron DeShon said. "We had a lot of injuries and some kids who couldn't compete."

The return of sophomore sprinter Brandi Haan will be a big lift for DeShon's team. Sophomore distance runner Kathy Kearns was expected to compete, but DeShon said she isn't ready.

"It's the first time since we recruited these kids we'll have them all together," DeShon said. "And that should return us back to the form

expected of us here at Northwest."

The women's track team opened its season this past weekend at the non-scoring team event at the Southern Methodist Relays in Dallas.

Sophomore Carrie Sindelar, coming off her outstanding indoor season continued to shine as she finished second in the 800 meters with a time of two minutes and 16 seconds. Amy Allen, another sophomore standout, grabbed a second place finish in the 100 with a time of 12.86.

"We ran fairly well and battled the elements all day," DeShon said. "The wind was devastating, with 40-45 m.p.h. gusts, so everyone's times were poor so we concentrated on where everyone placed."

DeShon said he has seen some things this season and at the meet that his team needs to work on.

"I don't believe our distance runners are running to their ability," he said. "We need to find our second wind and get back into it mentally."

Both the men and women's teams were scheduled to be in action Tuesday, March 26, but the meet was postponed because of the weather. A make-up date is set for today.

Also, DeShon said he may take some women and men to Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield this weekend.

## Defense sparks 'Cats in pair of wins

ROB J. BROWN  
CHIEF REPORTER

After starting out the season sluggish, the Northwest softball squad has made a mid-season turnaround edging its way to the .500 mark.

Last Saturday the 'Cats snapped Washburn University's 10-game win streak with a pair of 2-1 doubleheader victories.

In both match-ups Northwest's MIAA second-ranked defense stood tough, allowing only one earned run in each game.

In the first contest, junior catcher Jacque Burkhardt nailed an RBI double to send senior shortstop Natalie Lesko home, giving the 'Cats a 1-0 lead. Northwest added another run as sophomore third baseman Amy Brensel sacrifice bunted Burkhardt across home plate.

Entering the seventh and final inning of the second match-up tied 1-1, the Bearcats' junior Karen Hogel scored the

winning run on a wild pitch.

"Those games are not won; usually they are lost by a mistake," head coach Diane Miller said. "We just happened to come up on the top end of the mistake. We kept putting pressure on their defense to make plays and we came out on top."

Last Sunday, Northwest fell to 8-12 overall managing only one hit as Emporia State University squeezed by the 'Cats 1-0. Allowing four runs, senior pitcher Kristi Sweeney was the losing pitcher downing her record to 5-5.

Though the Northwest bats have been cold, Miller complemented Burkhardt's efforts. She said Burkhardt has been a consistent hitter all season and a very productive hitter from the clean-up spot.

"Jacque is a very good, aggressive hitter, she has proven herself as a RBI and big hit person," Miller said. "She might not get on base every time, but you know that when she steps up to the plate she is looking for something she can hit, hard."

Burkhardt's productivity is what Miller looks for out of the rest of the team that ranks last in the MIAA in batting.

Miller said the squad is hitting the ball hard in practice, but they need to transmit that to the field.

"If we can continue to improve with the sticks and our pitchers can rise to the challenge like they have and keep our defensive intensity up, we'll be right in the thick of things," Miller said.

The 'Cats will be tested Saturday as they will attempt to upset the No. 1 team in the region, Central Missouri State University. The Bearcats know the task will be difficult, but they are looking forward to the challenge.

"We have nothing to lose," Miller said. "I know my players are very excited to play Central."

Sunday the team will face Northeast Missouri State University. The Bearcats are hopeful for victories as the game marks parents and senior day for Northwest.

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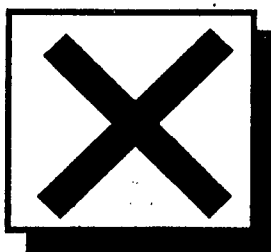
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# Former Chief speaks on issues

CHRIS TRIEBSCH  
MANAGING EDITOR

Although many consider athletics and politics to be about as different as peas and carrots, one former Kansas City Chiefs quarterback has made the leap into the Missouri Senate and is now gearing up to run for lieutenant governor.

Greeted by about a dozen people at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center on Friday, Sen. Bill Kenney, R-Lee's Summit, spoke about his career leading up to politics and his efforts to win statewide office.

Even though the small crowd size provoked Kenney to open the speech by saying it was "almost like an address to my family," it did not stop him from discussing the main components of his campaign: taxes, crime, education and welfare.

But Kenney talked mostly about education. He spoke about his background in education, having come from a family of teachers.

Kenney said he supports school vouchers, which would give parents the choice of using funding to send

their children to the school of their choice.

"I believe parents have the right to educate their children any way they can," he said. "I support the concept (of school vouchers). It is their (parents') tax dollars."

Although Kenney is discussing the issues extensively, his career in politics is rather short.

Kenney played for the Chiefs from 1979 to 1989. In 1994, he was elected to the state senate. He said he paid no attention to those who had doubts about his ambitions.

"I am the type of person who believes if you want to do something, you can step up and do it," Kenney said. "Of course, there will always be the naysayers, but if you feel strongly about something, step up and do it."

Rep. Rex Barnett, R-Mo., also spoke to students, as did Gary Chance, who was representing state auditor Margaret Kelly. Kelly is gearing up to run against Gov. Mel Carnahan in the November election.

The event was sponsored by the College Republicans.



GREG DALRYMPLE/Assistant Photography Director

**Fielding questions.** Republican Senator Bill Kenney, a former Kansas City Chief, spoke Friday at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. Kenney was joined by Rex Barnett and Gary Chenace in an open forum

before a fundraiser sponsored by Nodaway County Republicans. Kenney is running for Lieutenant Governor of Missouri during the general elections in November. The speech was sponsored by College Republicans.

## Sessions prepare teachers for Web

CYNTHIA HANSEN  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

In a little bit of role-reversal, some faculty members became the students for a day last week.

This spring's Quality Classroom Symposium, which took place March 19, was based on technology in the classroom.

Beginning at 9 a.m., the sessions ran concurrently throughout the day. Each session had a computer theme, but only some featured hands-on training.

One such session was called Using the World Wide Web to Complement General Education Instruction, given by Taylor Barnes, dean of arts and sciences, and librarian Carolyn Johnson. This session gave faculty the chance to experience exploring the Web and how it can benefit their classroom. The session was especially geared toward the general education curriculum.

"I thought this session was very informative," associate history professor Richard Frucht said. "I do not

have much experience in computers, so it was a nice introduction to something which is being used. It brought me kicking and screaming, so to speak, into the technology world."

Other sessions included presentations of Interactive Instruction in Library Research, The World Wide Web as a Research Tool and Catch the Modern Language Wave.

With a rather large turnout, organizers for the event believe it was a huge success.

"It was very well attended, with around 144 attending," Merry McDonald, computer science professor, said. "I have had nothing but enthusiastic response."

For the day in general, many faculty members were impressed.

"It was a good opportunity to know how other departments are using new technology," Mark Sand, assistant professor of math and statistics, said. "We spend a lot of the time working in our own departments, and we don't ever know what's going on in the other departments."

COLLEEN COOKE  
COPY DIRECTOR

Who knew one piece of paper could make such a statement?

Juniors who have earned 75 credit hours (second semester juniors) need to apply for their senior statements from the Registrar this semester, and probably before they enroll for next fall.

A senior statement is simply a record of a student's academic progress at Northwest and a list of what he or she has left to do before graduation. It officially lists what degree the student is pursuing, what classes have been taken (with what grades) and what classes need to be taken. The statement also shows whether the grades in certain core classes meet the requirements in certain departments.

The senior statement is the first step on the final road toward graduation, a road that Kathie Leeper, chair of the speech/theater department, has her advisees begin during freshman seminar.

"Usually we have worked through that whole process from the beginning," she said.

In the future, however, the need to apply for a senior statement will be phased out because the Registrar's office will be instituting a degree au-

dit program. This program would make an equivalent of a senior statement available on a student's STAR account on the VAX at any time.

Leeper, who has been part of a pilot group for the degree audit program for the last couple of years, said her students have found it to be very helpful in planning future schedules.

In addition, Registrar Linda Girard said other schools' students have the ability to play a "what-if" game. For example, if a student changed degrees, what would happen? What credits would carry over?

"When we feel comfortable with the audit totally, we will expect to phase out the senior statement," Girard said.

Although younger students cannot apply for their senior statements yet, they can take some steps to ensure that, when the time comes, they will be more prepared to face senior year and graduation.

• Know simple arithmetic — If students plan to graduate in four years with 124 hours, they cannot take only 12 hours a semester.

• Read the academic catalogue — Students need to understand what their book is telling them about their degree program. In particular, be familiar with the gray pages, which explain the general education and de-

*"As long as you know how to read a catalog and work with it, you can go to any school in the nation and be successful."*

Kathie Leeper  
chair of speech/  
theater department

## Not a senior? Not a problem

*Take steps to ensure the path goes smoothly*

Here are some questions to ask your adviser when you register for classes:

- Should I be taking my classes in a certain order?
- What tests do I need to take?
- Have I met advanced standing requirements? If not, what do I need to do?
- Am I pacing my classes right? Should I be taking more hours per semester in order to graduate in time? Am I

taking too little or too much?

- How can I avoid being burned out in saving all my hard classes until my last two years?
- Are there some classes that I just shouldn't take at the same time because it would "kill" me?
- Am I missing anything important that everybody else already knows about?
- What year(s) is the best to take certain practical activities? (In other words, help me not to take them all my senior year.)

gree requirements.

"We have people who walk in and do not know what catalog they're on," Girard said.

Leeper believes that the key to success in scheduling and planning is that catalog.

"As long as you know how to read a catalog and work with it, you can go to any school in the nation and be successful," Leeper said.

• Be responsible for finding out about your individual program — Don't just plan for a semester at a time. Find out about those tricky classes that are only offered at certain times and ask advisers about them. (Hint: those little F's and S's

in parentheses after some class names in the catalog indicate whether a class is offered in the spring, or fall or both.)

"An adviser who has 50 advisees would be really assisted when an advisee knows what they have and what they need," Girard said.

Ultimately, a senior statement can either serve as a rude wake-up call or a gentle reminder of what needs to be done. In the end, the statement is a record of something the students really should already know.

"I think the main thing is that it's critical that students realize they should be responsible for their own programs," Girard said.

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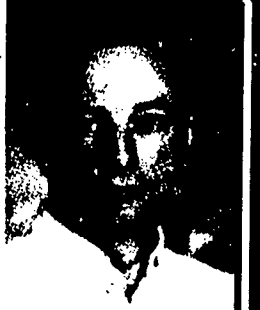
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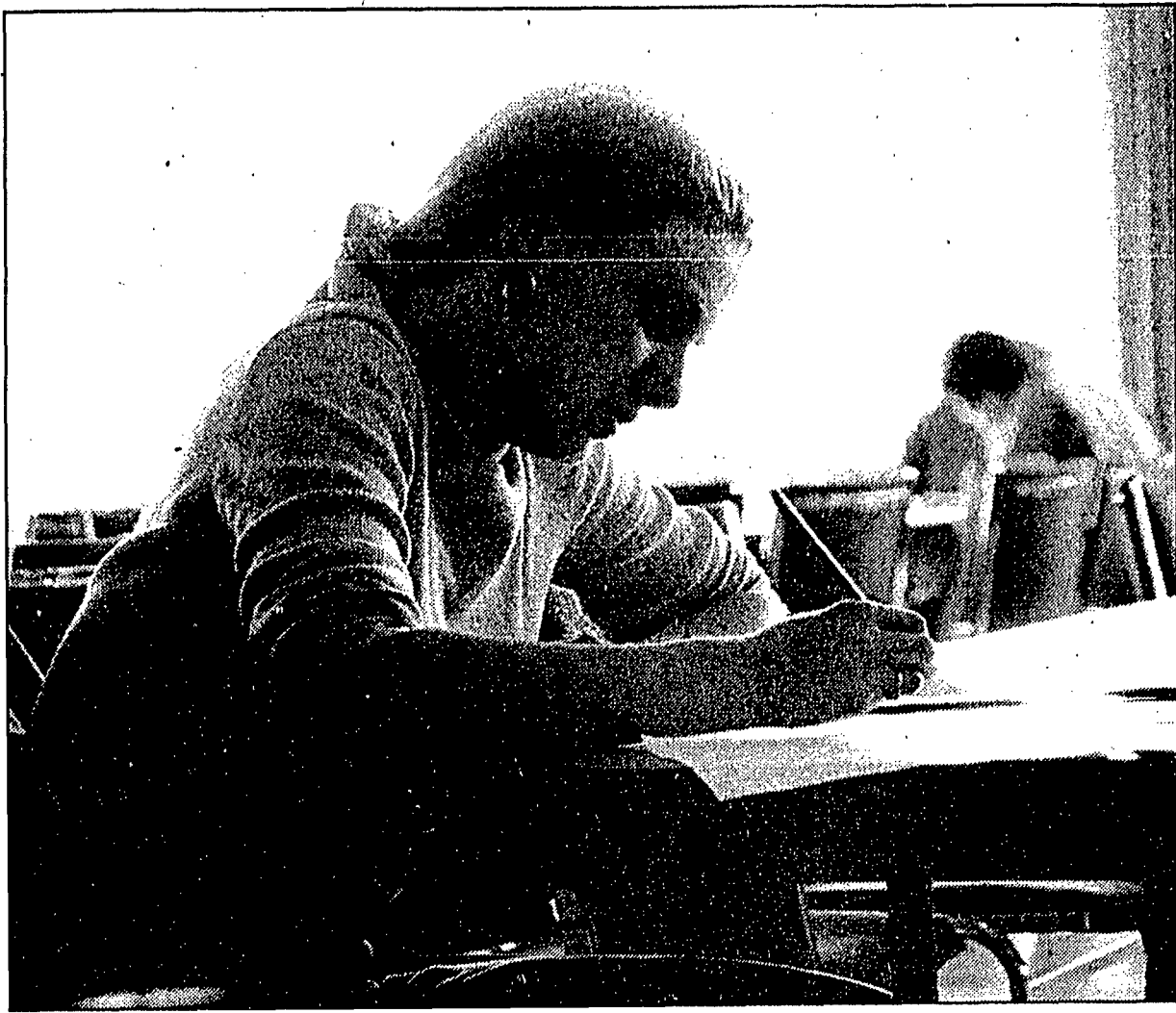
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**Competing with others.** Marcy Baker from Lenox High School concentrates on her test during the Math Olympiad at Northwest March 6. Northwest offers many special programs for high school students. Many high school students also participate in science and music contests offered on campus.

## Contests bring younger students to Northwest

**TATE SINCLAIR**  
CHIEF REPORTER

If you have been thinking students on campus are looking younger, you are correct. Most of them are not, however, college students.

High school and junior high students have been overrunning Northwest's campus the last few weeks competing in events such as the Math Olympiad contest. The most recent contest, however, was district music.

Ernest Woodruff, associate professor of music, was the manager for last week's District High School music contest. He said the music events for high school and junior high students benefits everyone.

"There are a lot of benefits to the department and the image of the University from these events," Woodruff said. "It also gives our students who are going to be teachers an opportunity to see how the directors and kids behave at such an event."

Woodruff said the music department helps more than 50 school districts by having such an event.

Northwest students and faculty are not the only ones who receive benefits from such events. High school students, relatives and directors all benefit from the contests.

Cameron sophomore Jennifer Stodden said she likes to use the contest for a measuring stick for her and her fellow chorus members.

"I like to see how well we can sing," she said. "And I enjoy it."

Savannah senior Molly Klesath, who made her fourth trip to the contest, said she also receives a pleasure from the trip.

"It gives our band a chance to show how good we really are, compared to other bands," she said. "But it is also a good chance for all of us to have some fun."

Not everyone enjoys the contest, though they do keep coming back.

Richard Buch, Hamilton's band director, made his 32nd visit to the contest, but fun was not his goal.

"I do not like these things," he said. "There's a lot of stress to it, but

I like to see our kids get ones (the highest rating given by judges), and my kids do well."

Nancy Sandy, Hamilton's chorus director, takes a different look at the event.

"I don't dislike the event, although it is stressful," she said. "It's extremely well run, very solid. And we usually do pretty well."

Buch said that is the major reason Sandy, who made her 21st trip to the contest, keeps coming back.

"They always get ones, that's why she likes it," he said playfully.

Most people agree with Sandy, saying the event is extremely well run and enjoyable.

"We want to see them get a one," said Marie Smith, grandma of Cameron student Christina Birts. "But the whole thing is fantastic. I love this campus, and they do a great job with the contest."

Almost everyone involved with the contest agreed on the quality of music and that is probably why the event will continue to be such a hit.

## ISO celebrates cultural heritage

**VANESSA SKAGGS**  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Even though only 6.9 percent of Northwest's population is minority and international students, this does not slow down the efforts of these students to expand the knowledge of cultural diversity.

At 6 p.m. on Saturday, the International Student Organization will sponsor the 16th annual Cultural Show and Dinner at the University Conference Center.

The theme of this year's dinner is "Northwest: Diversity Starts Here." Tickets are on sale at the Student Services Center in the Administration Building for \$5 and \$3 for senior citizens and children.

A dinner prepared by the students will start off the festivities. Some of the dishes to be included originate from Greece, Malaysia, Japan, Mexico and several other countries. Desserts will be prepared by the multicultural students as well.

"It's a big effort to bring together so much food that is authentically made by the students," Renee Bergene, ISO vice president, said. Adding to the dinner will be entertainment from the different cultures.

Among the entertainment will be Turkish, Samoan, Mexican, Filipino and Latin American dancers. There will also be a Japanese guitarist and several piano pieces will be played.

Following the talent portion of the evening, some students will model fashions from their native country. They will briefly explain when and where such attire would be worn.

Being able to attract over 300 people to the event helps ISO share its cultures through food, dance, music and skits.

"It helps generate a positive attitude towards diversity," said Sande Stanley, assistant professor of marketing and management. "(International and minority students) really want to be friends with Americans. They welcome everyone to the dinner where people get to understand we all like to laugh, and many people

find out there are similarities as well as differences. The students are interested in letting people know about their countries."

Having 15 different countries represented at the dinner makes for an interesting evening.

"A person who comes is taking a trip around the world in one night," Bergene said. "It's an international experience in Maryville. It's a celebration of diversity at Northwest and an event to bring together everyone to exhibit culture."

Stanley said the goal of the dinner is to come together as a community.

"One of the nicest things about the dinner and show is everyone contributes," she said.

## Safety makes checks for slower driving

**KAREN A. GATES**  
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Speeding vehicles will have a chance to slow down when they are alerted of how hard the pedal is pushed to the metal next week.

Two speed monitors that will clearly post the speed of vehicles will be brought on campus by the highway patrol free of charge next Tuesday and Wednesday.

One monitor will be set up at the main entrance of the University in front of Mabel Cook Admissions Center, while the other will be on the street between Owens Library and North Complex residence hall. No tickets will be given.

Roberta Boyd, Campus Safety officer, said the locations of the monitors were chosen because both areas are considered high traffic and pedestrian areas.

Even though speeding tickets will not be given, the monitors will collect data to identify problems and to help decide what an appropriate response would be. Boyd said she also hopes the speed checks will remind motorists that the speed limit on all campus roads is 20 mph.

"This will help students, faculty and staff know their speed throughout those areas and let them know if they need to slow down," Boyd said.

Beth Wheeler, director of community relations, coordinated the effort to bring the monitors.

"Safety of the students, faculty and visitors across campus is the utmost goal of administrators," Wheeler said. "We want to make people more aware of the speed they drive and to have them drive more slowly and to be more responsible."

## Alpha Chi sponsors regional conference

**JULIET MARTIN**  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Students will have the opportunity to learn about places and topics both near and far from home when chapters of the honor society Alpha Chi come for a regional conference taking place for the first time at Northwest.

Thirteen schools from the Midwest region will come from states such as Nebraska, Montana, Iowa and North Dakota. They will give presentations on topics such as technology, history and business in a forum for student research and performance.

Jennifer Beekman, Northwest program coordinator for the conference, is pleased with its results.

"My first expectations when putting this together was to get the

school involved," she said. "Now that goal has been reached, we're having a bigger turnout than usual."

Northwest students presenting include Amanda McManigal, Jennifer Harr, Andy Scott, Mary Talbot, Joel Heinzeroth, Renee Bergene and Marcy Chamas.

The conference will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today through Saturday. Presentations will be in the Governor's room in the Union.

Francis Shipley, dean of the graduate school, will be the featured speaker at 7 p.m. Saturday night in the Union Ballroom. She will give a presentation on "Beijing: 11 million people, 8 million bicycles."

A banquet dinner and awards presentation will follow the presentations. On Saturday, there will be an optional tour of the Pony Express Museum in St. Joseph.

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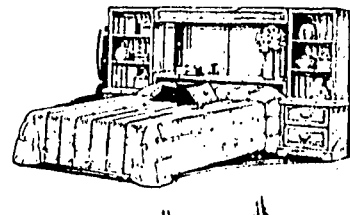
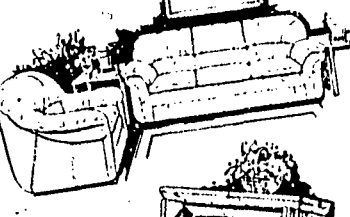
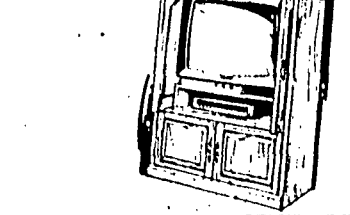
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Review by Mike Johnson

## And the winners are ...

### Stars shine as another year of Oscars comes to big finish



After a couple of years of self-indulgent snobbery, the Oscars got fun again. All memories of the bland Whoopi Goldberg, who was the host of the show in 1994, and David Letterman, who took stupid pet tricks to a new level in 1995, went up in smoke as the smokin' new and improved Whoopi took stage.

Proclaiming herself the "mighty Afro-deity," Goldberg took shots at everyone from Jesse Jackson to Hugh Grant to the makers of "Showgirls," which inspired the comment, "I haven't seen that many poles mistreated since World War II."

She looked like she was having the time of her life, and brought the show to life in the process.

Special credit must go to producer Quincy Jones who upped the entertainment ante with such unique fare as appearances by Babe and the animated stars of "Toy Story" as well as the world's top supermodels like Joel West and Tyra Banks showing off the fashion of the five best costuming contenders ("Restoration" took home the award).

It is easy to be critical of the ceremony. It was nearly four hours long, the musical performances of the five best song nominees were still snoozers (give the award to Disney and be done with it) and three tributes (Chuck Jones, Kirk Douglas and Gene Kelly) seem a little much for one show.

Overall, though, the show had so much zip, it was hard to even care who won or lost. Even the winners wanted to give their trophies away.

The supporting actor and actress winners dedicated their awards to their

parents. Kevin Spacey won for "The Usual Suspects," thanking his mother for taking him to acting lessons on Ventura Boulevard. Mira Sorvino won for "Mighty Aphrodite" and thanked her sobbing father, Paul, for teaching her everything she knew about acting.

The best actor and actress winners dedicated their awards to their directors and costars. Susan Sarandon won for "Dead Man Walking" and dedicated half of her award to her "life partner" and director, Tim Robbins, remarking "thank God we live together." Nicolas Cage won for "Leaving Las Vegas" and dedicated his award to director Mike Figgis and costar Elisabeth Shue.

However, perhaps nobody was smiling bigger than the lethal weapon himself, Mel Gibson, who proved himself to be a maverick at collecting the golden boys.

His sophomore directing effort, "Braveheart," went home with five trophies including best director and best picture.

Other top nominees didn't fare so well. "Babe" was all but ignored, winning only one Oscar for visual effects, while "Apollo 13" went home with much less than a baker's dozen worth of trophies, winning only in technical categories. "The Postman" won for best dramatic score.

Although Oscar forgot about the pig, the astronauts and the postman, it didn't forget about its audience. Providing a grand evening of entertainment, the 68th annual Academy Awards proved to be a night worth remembering.

### Who took home the golden boy?

**Best Movie:**  
"Braveheart"

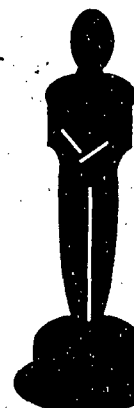
**Best Director:**  
Mel Gibson

**Best Actor:**  
Nicolas Cage, "Leaving Las Vegas"

**Best Actress:**  
Susan Sarandon, "Dead Man Walking"

**Best Supporting Actor:**  
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## Home sweet home pages

Story by Colleen Cooke  
**Learn how to make your personal starting place for playing on the Internet — your own home page**

second in a three-part series on home pages

OK, you've had a week to play on the Internet, and you've decided that you want a home page of your own. Here's a checklist to get you started:

1. You must have an account on the University system with disk space. This is important. If you have only six blocks available (type "sd" at your prompt to show disk space), you had better start deleting some of those long e-mail messages or composition papers.

2. Set up your account to have a Web page directory. This is where that VAX knowledge comes in handy. Type "hmpg" at your prompt to create this directory. There is a how-to handout available on Northwest's home page under "help," if you skipped Using Computers too often.

3. You need to be able to write the home page using the text editor on the VAX. If you are stuck here, you should have paid more attention in Using Computers because having a working knowledge of the VAX system is rather essential to this whole process.

However, there are tools to help you do this. "Internet Assistance," available in Owens Library, runs only on Microsoft Word 6.0 or Windows 95 and will be useful in

helping you write your page. If you choose to do it this way, you will need to transfer that file to your VAX account when you are finished.

In order to write the page, you need to understand what "html" means — hypertext markup language. Like other computer languages, this one translates combinations of letters and words into the text, graphics and links on your home page. So, don't skip this step. It's kind of important.

4. Once your home page is written, you can register it with the University if you want people to see it. You can do this by going to Northwest's home page, which will have that option available.

If, however, you have chosen to do this whole process on Internet Assistance or some other help program, you will need to transfer that file to your VAX account.

This whole process might be awkward at first, but that's to be expected.

"The first page is the worst because you have to learn the html as you write it," said Merlin Miller, user consultant at academic computing.

If you would like your page to be flashier than just words on a screen, Northwest's home page has made certain graphics (borders, lines, colors) available under "help." Owens Library also has one photo scanner available to put pic-

tures on your page.

Always keep in mind that anything you put on your page takes up disk space on your VAX account. Depending on its size, Miller said a photo could take up to 100 blocks, while a background image could take 40-50 blocks. Any links you make available, however, are treated only as text and do not take up a great amount of space.

However, to begin your ownership of a home page, it might be best to keep it simple.

"Make it the most basic thing you can," broadcasting major Ash Atkins said. "Make it friendly for lynx, Netscape, give modem users a choice of whether they want to load a picture or not."

Miller said it does not really require much time to maintain a home page — it's up to you how much you want to devote to it. He estimated that, depending on your VAX knowledge, it could take about two hours to set up the page, and then as little as 10 minutes a week updating it.

English major Robert Dierks suggests that as part of your maintenance of a home page checking the links you offer to make sure those pages are still there.

"You never know when your home page might have that one link that writes somebody's research paper for them," Dierks said.

While Netscape shows the address (or URL — uniform resource locator) of a page at the top of the screen, on the VAXes you can type "s=" to see it. So if you're browsing other sites and you stumble across a page that you like, write down the



Atkins actually has two home pages — one for people with graphics browsers and one for text browsers. So, if you view it on lynx, you won't miss out.

#### Ash Atkins

- Broadcasting major
- home page address: <http://www.nwmissouri.edu/~0235402/>

#### Some of Atkins' links include

- Campus Activity Programmers
- Lots of stuff about Tori Amos
- Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity
- KDLX radio station
- friends' home pages
- University of Main-Fort Kent
- Fort Kent Community High School

#### April 4 - Legal problems of owning and using Web pages

address using these methods.

If all of this doesn't help much and you still want to set up a page, Miller said you can always stop by academic computing on the first floor of Owens Library. In addition, Miller offers workshops on setting up home pages usually at the beginning of each semester or as need requires.

Here are some fun sites to help you with html:

Crash Course on Writing Documents for the Web  
<http://www.ziff.com/~eamonn/>

crash\_course.html

Beginner's Guide to HTML  
<http://www.ncsa.uiuc.edu/demoweb/html-primer.html>  
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### Beatles return for 2nd time with anthology

Reviewer: Keith Rydberg  
Artist: The Beatles  
Album: "The Beatles Anthology 2"  
Grade: A-

The Beatles are back — again.

Fans wanting a Fab Four reunion received the next best thing over the winter holidays with the release of the ABC documentary "The Beatles Anthology" and the subsequent double album set of unreleased songs and alternative takes of classic songs. Part two of the three-volume collection was released March 19.

"The Beatles Anthology 2" focuses on the years 1965-1968, considered by many to be the most creative in the Beatles' career.

Among the records focused on in this double album set are "Beatles For Sale," "Rubber Soul," "Revolver," "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" and "Magical Mystery Tour." The first disc begins with a "new" Beatles song, "Real Love," in which Paul McCartney, George Harrison and Ringo Starr added new instrumental and vocal tracks to a John Lennon demo tape recorded in 1979.

John's voice is more evident on this album than the previous effort, "Free as a Bird" and sounds more like a song the Beatles would have recorded.

There are quite a few pieces of history on disc one, however. For example, one can hear Paul instructing George on chord changes just seconds before recording take one of "Yesterday." Also, the first concert performances of that song and "Help!" are presented.

Overall, "The Beatles Anthology 2" is an interesting piece of musical history.

Many of the alternative takes sound even better than the original.

Although some of the song selections were questionable in my opinion, "The Beatles Anthology" is one album no Beatles fan should be without.



## The Stroller

## Family reunion sees big surprises

Your Man spent the weekend in the warmth and weirdness of his family. Yep, instead of cruising the calm streets of the 'Ville and signing a moccachino in a coffeshop, Yours Truly hopped on the open road and headed home. I knew everything was going to be all right as I passed a new "Speed Limit 70 m.p.h." sign. All was content with the world.

Now Your Man knows that every family has its eccentricities, but I've always taken pride in the specific dysfunctional qualities of my own kin. At this weekend's gathering, a more than usual number of family members showed up to wish our matriarch a fond happy birthday.

One surprise of the weekend stood out above the rest. Raised in the realm of the Bible Belt, Your Man has done his best to battle the ultra-conservative, Dole-worshipping attitudes of those around him. But when Buchanan is the family's presidential choice, some conversation topics are just not brought up.

Now imagine Your Man's surprise when a



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favorite cousin showed up sporting rainbow rings — a symbol of gay pride.

While I wasn't completely shocked by the revelation (some things seem evident when you idolize someone as a kid), I was intrigued by the family's reaction. All the adults knew except for the guest of honor at the birthday party. Somehow Your Man's octogenarian grandmother isn't familiar with the gay and lesbian movement.

Perhaps this is a good thing. I'm not sure if her God-fearing xenophobic heart could take it (honestly, though, I do love her. But let's face it,

as the years pass, so does the tolerance level).

The cousin's parents seemed to be dealing OK, although I often wondered if the tension would be relieved in some awesome birthday-cake food fight. Your Man's parents seemed to have the reaction of Mount Rushmore. No one breathed a word — just sighed. No one mentioned "phone-friends" or "dates" until the cousin made a phone call home to check on the girlfriend.

Normally meals at my family reunions are reminiscent of meal times at the zoo; it's kind of a fend-for-yourself buffet line. This time, though, everyone was extremely polite and caring. It was scary — like something out of a bad science fiction film: "Invasion of the Homosexuals."

But the day continued. KU lost its game, the family lost its rose-colored glasses and the cousin gained her freedom.

Cool.

*The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918.*

**Weekly Overview:** Harmonious aspects get April off to a good start Monday. Add a bit of motivation and fondest hopes can bear fruit. Social Venus moves into resourceful Gemini on Thursday. Communicative powers are heightened. Many will find new opportunities to improve income.

## Weekly Horoscopes

This Week in the Stars by Larry White for March 3 - April 6

**ARIES** March 21 - April 20  
Saturn, planet of responsibility moves into your sign for a long stay. Responsibilities go with this transit, but your accomplishments are also destined for greatness.  
LUCKY NUMBERS: 1-8-30-37-38-24

**TAURUS** April 21 - May 21  
Opportunities may present themselves from more than one direction that could increase your assets. Important new investments can work to your advantage.  
LUCKY NUMBERS: 22-4-20-33-8

**GEMINI** May 22 - June 21  
Love/social planet Venus enters your sign. It's an opportune time for starting new relationships or the strengthening of ones now in existence.  
LUCKY NUMBERS: 19-26-27-2-18-10

**CANCER** June 22 - July 23  
Focus of lunar eclipse may be on domestic matters and real estate concerns. A positive response to a long awaited decision is likely. Career efforts can be rewarding.  
LUCKY NUMBERS: 21-17-35-8-25-40

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**LEO** July 24 - Aug. 23  
Go where the action is. You're heading into a favorable social phase. Also a good time to launch new ventures. Educational updates will bring improved finances.  
LUCKY NUMBERS: 17-21-35-8-25-40

**VIRGO** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23  
Stellar patterns indicate personal interests in distant places that could work in your favor. New investments may be slow to get started but that's not a reason to give up on them.  
LUCKY NUMBERS: 17-21-35-8-25-40

**LIBRA** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23  
Lunar eclipse in your sign may bring answers to a creative enterprise. Productive long distance developments should go well. Relationships need time to work.  
LUCKY NUMBERS: 23-7-29-3-2-31

**SCORPIO** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22  
Use caution in finalizing important moves. Listen to the suggestions of financial advisers. Joint ventures could help you realize your goals.  
LUCKY NUMBERS: 41-19-20-6-35-27

**SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21  
Group activities should lead to valuable friendships that may be instrumental in achievement of goals. In creative matters persistence is as important as talent.  
LUCKY NUMBERS: 11-31-36-7-6-35

**CAPRICORN** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20  
Ruling planet Saturn moves into Aries for a long stay. Personal relationships may require changes. Some may decide on selling an old home to buy one larger.  
LUCKY NUMBERS: 16-30-7-19-40-11

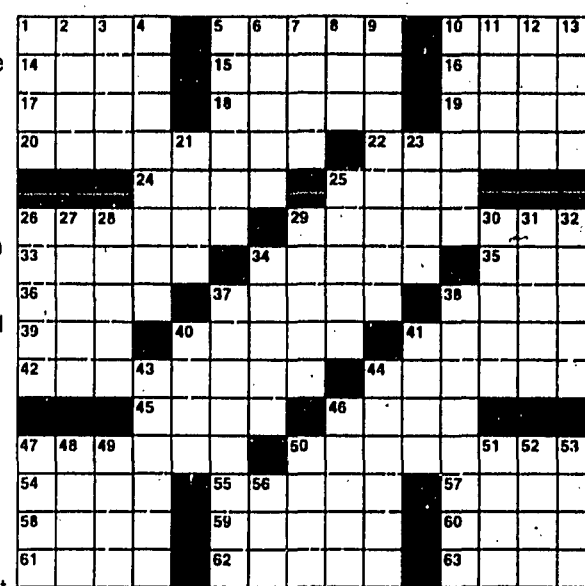
**AQUARIUS** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19  
No fooling! April should be enjoyable for all. Love/social Venus may bring a new love affair for eligibles or the revitalization of an existing one.  
LUCKY NUMBERS: 38-7-37-24-27-25

**PISCES** Feb. 20 - Mar. 20  
Venus, planet of the arts, moves into your home sector. Home improvements including a home based business may be of interest to many.  
LUCKY NUMBERS: 10-4-42-3-23-15

## Weekly Crossword

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## Answers to last week's puzzle

TREE	DEGAS	LINE
SUPERS	EXACT	AMID
ALIT	PIPER	DANE
RECITAL	SANDMAN	
MIRE	NEE	
VACANT	VIGORISH	
ABATE	SIREN	RIA
LOGE	VOTER	FONT
EVE	FARAD	PONCE
TERMINAL	PARSES	
ALI	SURE	
CONTEST	PRESSED	
AGAR	HONOR	TARA
MEMO	ERODE	EMIR
SEEN	DOTTED	RENT

34 Customer	native
37 Pertaining to fathers	47 Upright spar
38 Rootless ones	48 —vera
40 In use	49 Butts
41 Festive	50 Acknowledge
43 Beginning	51 Weather word
44 Kitchen gadget	52 Punta del —
46 Stockholm	53 Marsh plant
	56 Lennon's widow

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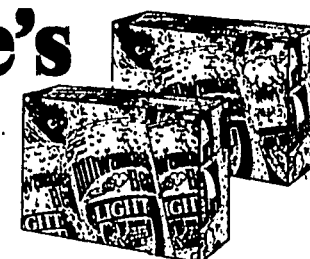
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